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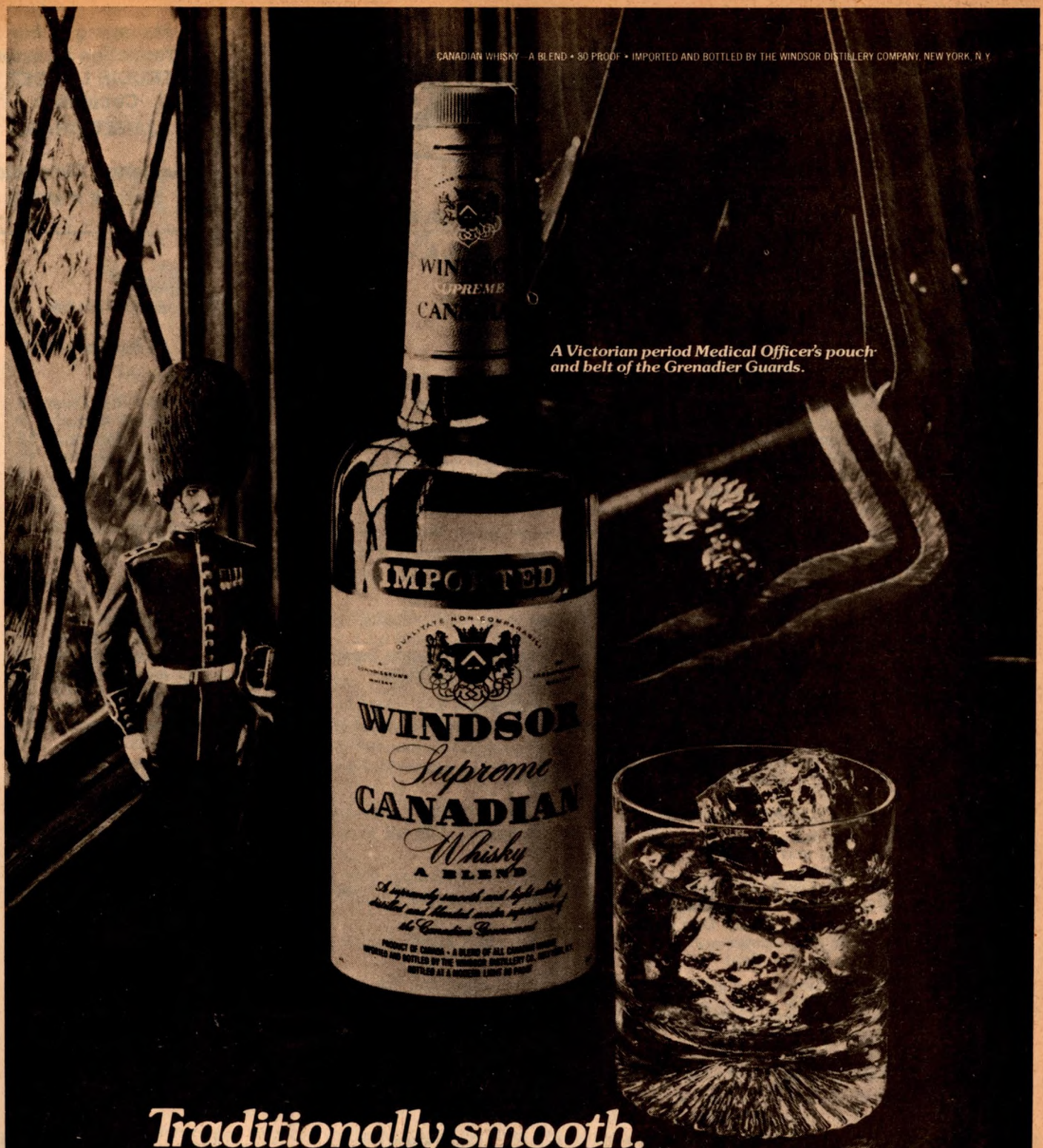

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EDITORIAL AS I SEE IT

by NAT LOUBET Editor AND Publisher of

The RING

THE intrepid Muhammad Ali, Heavyweight Champion of the World, a man of many faces, moods and put-ons, whose charisma has held sway over the boxing fraternity and the fans for well over a decade, has usually been a man of ballyhoo, an interesting oddity whose antics spelled big money for promoters and whom the scribes and newscasters took with tongue in cheek, but who has made such good copy that he has been a welcome addition to the many athletes who are drab as a window shade.

Rarely has Ali said anything that was earth shaking or has gone beyond producing money for Ali. But in his recent attempt to explain taking on a fighter of rather unknown abilities, one Alfredo Evangalista, a Spanish heavyweight whose most recent achievement was an eight round loss to Lorenzo Zenon but who otherwise was undefeated in fourteen fights, Ali made some sense.

He had it made in so far as getting the blessings of the WBA and WBC. The later had stated that they would take his title away if he fought one Alfio Righetti, an Italian heavyweight with some nineteen straight victories, since he was unrated. So the powers that be went to work and came up with the Spaniard who was rated tenth by the WBC and seventh by the WBA, although unrated by THE RING. It would appear that the switch in names would indicate very little change.

The calibre of talent was probably better on the Italian side than with the Spaniard, but then at Ali's time of life as a boxer one can no longer go by his past ability because if he continues to fight, some humpty dumpty will knock his block off in what was supposed to be another workout.

Maybe Ali will be lucky and his wishes will be followed out—he stated to Jimmy Young that he should fight the winner of the Bobick-Norton bout in Madison Square Garden and that he (Ali) would fight the winner.

"There are a lot of people who think Norton beat me and a lot who think Young beat me, and I'm too old to go around fighting everybody to prove it all, so I will fight the winner of the two fights I have mentioned."

Young has stated that he would rather fight Ali without fighting anyone else first. This seems doubtful at this time.

All of the above depends upon Ali, running according to form and taking care of the Spanish Bull, as Ali has called his opponent, Evangalista. By the time you read this the bout may be history and if Ali should lose he may retire. In such a case the winner of Bobick-Norton and Young will fight it out for the title.

In the course of a recent interview, Ali showed a remarkable interest in boxing in general and was specific relative to all the weight divisions in boxing. This is a breakthrough in Ali's thinking since in the past he has stated, as he still does, that "I am the boss of boxing!" but his instincts have been to preserve the heavyweight with little attention to other weights.

In this instance he was motivated by the WBC press release that if he fought an unranked fighter he would be shorn of his title. First of all, heavyweights have always been allowed more leeway in time between fights as well as in fighting tuneups between "serious" defenses, but Ali didn't mention this. He wanted to know why every class in boxing, every champion, was not forced by the ruling bodies to meet contenders? Why exceptions? Why allow one champion to meet one easy opponent after another but expect him to fight only the best? His point was well taken. Who could argue with this point of view?

Every champion should defend his title against the most deserving challengers in his weight class. They should be taken in order so that every deserving head gets his shot at the crown.

Is there any doubt of the added standing in the sports world that this approach would give boxing?

Ali was right. There should be no double standards and he as well as all other class champi-

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Today, Argentina boasts of three champions, WBA light heavyweight king Victor Galindez, world middleweight champ Carlos Monzon, and Jr. middle king Miguel Castellini, but they are only the most current of a long line of fistic greats. The artist depicts some of this rugged country's leading exports.

MONZON, GALINDEZ NOT ARGENTINA'S ONLY CLAIMS TO FAME

By JAMES A. MEROLLA

THE Republic of Argentina, long noted for its fiery people and volatile history, has regained the public's attention with events of battle, but its present-day army is not champion of local infighting, but rather of the international boxing world. Sugarcane and maize are not the only leading exports of this rugged country as outstanding professional prizefighters have come out of the Andes valley and into the forefront of boxing interest.

The Argentine boasts of three world champions of 1977 in light heavyweight Victor Galindez, middleweight Carlos Monzon, and junior middleweight champion Miguel Angel Castellini. Only Mexico and Puerto Rico can claim a similar distinction in the number of world champions at one time outside of the United States. The surge of class Spanish fighters in this decade has been unprecedented in the history of boxing. No other group of culturally-related ringmen have ever excelled in the sport as in the last two years. Spanish-speaking fighters own fifteen of the twenty championships in the era of dual champions.

Argentina has not just been a new contributor to the fistic ranks, however, as their fighting heritage extends for half of a century. The first great Argentinian to dust his feet on ring resin was Luis Angel Firpo, spiritedly nicknamed the Wild Bull of the Pampas by then sportswriter Grantland Rice. Firpo, as the nickname implies, was a heavyweight of powerful intentions if limited skill.

His entrance into American rings was engineered by legendary promoter Tex Rickard who saw the raw South American as saleable to the public with his immense strength and sizeable knockout record. The year was 1923 when Rickard exposed his Pampas Bull to the curious spectators at New York, the center of fistic activity in the Roaring Twenties.

First, the touted Angel clubbed contender Bill Brennan into anonymity in twelve rounds on March 12. Firpo was then matched against ex-champion Jess Willard, who had been four years away from gloved combat and in need of personal funds. Firpo, displaying a style of pure reckless abandon, punished the giant Kansan in eight rounds.

With appetite whetted for an international title match, Rickard matched Firpo with world champion Jack Dempsey at the Polo Grounds, New York, on September 14, 1923.

The battle has been forever etched in the memory of the thousands present at the field, and millions more who have read or heard of the story of the fight. The truly animalistic Firpo, after suffering five knockdowns by Dempsey, sent a skull-crushing right hand to the champion's temple, sending him hurtling into the press row and onto the typewriters of the sportswriters in attendance.

Pandemonium reigned as the fallen American struggled to regain ring presence. It is suspected that more than the required ten seconds elapsed before Dempsey felt canvas under his feet again. Firpo, more intent on finishing cracking Jack than on quibbling over the controversy, reigned charged dynamite on his near-helpless opponent. Dempsey stated later he remembers nothing of the incident. It may have been sheer luck that enabled him to avoid the lethal blows of the heavy-handed Argentine. In any event, the bell added its chime to those already ringing in Manassa Jack's head, ending one of the most exciting round in heavyweight history.

The minute's rest cleared Dempsey's brain and he continued in the second round as if nothing had happened. He finished Firpo's dream of immortality at 1:57 of the round, but those five minutes of fierce warfare placed Luis Angel Firpo's name on the select list of the legendary. Along with the incredible fight itself, Firpo contributed to boxing's second million-dollar gate under the fabulous hype of Rickard.

A decade after the emergence of Argentina's first star, boxing experts fixed their telescopes on another golden heavyweight from the land of the Andes. His name was Alberto Lovell, and his first accomplishment was capturing the Olympic Gold Medal in the 1932 Games of Los Angeles, California. Though he never fought for the professional title, Lovell became South American champion and a top contender under the reigns of Jimmy Braddock and Joe Louis. Two of his sons, Pedro and Alberto, Jr., box today, the latter mixing it up with contender Ken Norton among others.

Other notable Argentinian big men include Jorge Brescia, Vittorio Campolo, Eduardo Corletti, fighters of promise and durability who were not quite as productive as Lovell. Perhaps the toughest of them all was the late Oscar Bonavena, campaigner of the last decade. Bonavena was amateur champion of Argentina at the tender age of 22, and went to the United States to the lure of the American dollar. Affectionately known as "Ringo" because his hair-style reminded his fans of the famous drummer of the Beatles, Bonavena met and bothered the world's best heavweights for 13 years. He decked soon-to-be-champion Joe Frazier twice in 1966 and almost shocked the career away from the Philadephian. Frazier was pressed to win a close decision.

Given a championship fight two years later, Bonavena again lost a close fight, but made Joe's face look like the butchered meat he had once packed for a living in his native Philly. Bonavena had previously fought and lost to Jimmy Ellis in an elimination tournament for Muhammed Ali's vacant throne.

Two years later, Bonavena got the chance to face the exiled Ali, himself now on the comeback trail. Ringo almost threw a roadblock in front of Ali's well-laid plans as he hit the ex-champion more than he had ever been struck in his three-year championship reign. However, a wrecking ball left hook evaporated Oscar's legs with just seconds to go in the last round ending his chances against the resourceful Ali. Bonavena held wins over Zora Folley, Karl Mildenberger, George Chuvalo, and Leotis Martin among others. He was still a rated contender when he was shot to death in a Los Vegas brothel on May 22, 1976.

With such prominent big men, it is ironic that Argentina's first world champion was its smallest professional fighter, Pascaul Perez, a flyweight. Perez, like Lovell, won the Olympic title in 1948 before entering the punch-for-pay world. Perez scored 18 straight KO's as a beginner and eventually worked his way to a title meeting with Yoshia Shirai in 1954. Perez won the flyweight crown with a fifteen-round decision and defeated Shirai by

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DAVE GREEN PROVES HIS MERIT AS WELTER CHALLENGER WITH KO OF STRACEY

By RON OLVER

WEMBLEY POOL—British and European Jr. welter champion Dave "Boy" Green, Chatteris, 145¾, earned a shot at Carlos Palomino's world crown by beating the former holder of the latter title, John H. Stracey, 144¾.

Referee Harry Gibbs stopped the fight after 1 minute 40 seconds of the tenth of a scheduled 15-rounder when Stracey's left eye was completely closed.

Stracey afterwards claimed that he had been butted on several occasions and that a clash of heads caused the eye injury. The evidence of the TV recording indicated that Stracey was right about the latter claim, and even Green's manager, Andy Smith, admitted that that was how it looked to him.

But for the referee to take any action the alleged butt would have had to have been deliberate, and on this point the referee is the man nearest the action.

Green's style of fighting is always liable to bring about clashes of heads, and it is unfortunate that Stracey had to fight most of the contest under this handicap.

Those who doubted the wisdom of pitting a 23-year-old against a former world champ with over twice as many fights under his belt quickly had their fears dispelled.

Green tore out of his corner at the opening bell and didn't even stop punching when the bell ended the first round. He waded into Stracey as if the latter were just another fighter, and the latter was certainly taken aback by the continuous bombardment.

Inactive since losing the world crown to Palomino, Stracey was naturally ring-rusty, but had no time to get acclimatized. All he could do was cover up, then fight back, and this produced one of the most hard-fought and exciting first rounds seen for some considerable time.

The contest was billed as a final eliminator for the world welter crown, and it fully lived up to its additional billing as the "British Fight Of The Year." Although there is still a lot of 1977 to go, this one will take some beating.

Green had one plan—to keep on top of Stracey, to keep up the pressure so that the latter wasn't able to use his boxing skills. Dave's forte is his strength and his stamina, and he has the added ability of being able to keep coming forward AND punch hard.

For sheer excitement this fight had everything. It seemed remarkable that there were no knockdowns, a tribute to the fitness of both men.

Green looked ahead when the stoppage came, but Stracey had been putting in a good rally after looking very weary, and under a severe handicap John had performed admirably.

There were times when Green proved he could jab accurately with his left to keep his man off-balance, and he varied his blows well at close-quarters.

In a hectic opening session, one or two of Green's punches strayed low, for which he was duly censured. Even at that early stage Stracey's left eye looked puffy. So many punches were thrown that several understandably were off-target, but the action was fast and furious.

The second was a replica of the first, with the fans cheering wildly. Green was warned for alleged misuse of the head, and again in the fourth for the same offense. The latter occurred after Stracey had stood his ground and elected to punch it out, a tactic that seemed to surprise Green, who broke off momentarily.

The referee had a brief chat with both men at the start of the fifth, which Stracey said afterwards was because they were "abusing each other." This meant chiding remarks on both sides, and it was that kind of fight as they belted away.

After five rounds Green seemed to have established some sort of superiority, but Stracey made a great effort in the following round, jabbing with his left, crossing hard with his right, and refusing to go back as Green came in. For the first time we wondered if Green had perhaps used up too much of his stamina, and he certainly looked slower now.

By the ninth Stracey was gradually making up the leeway, but by how much only

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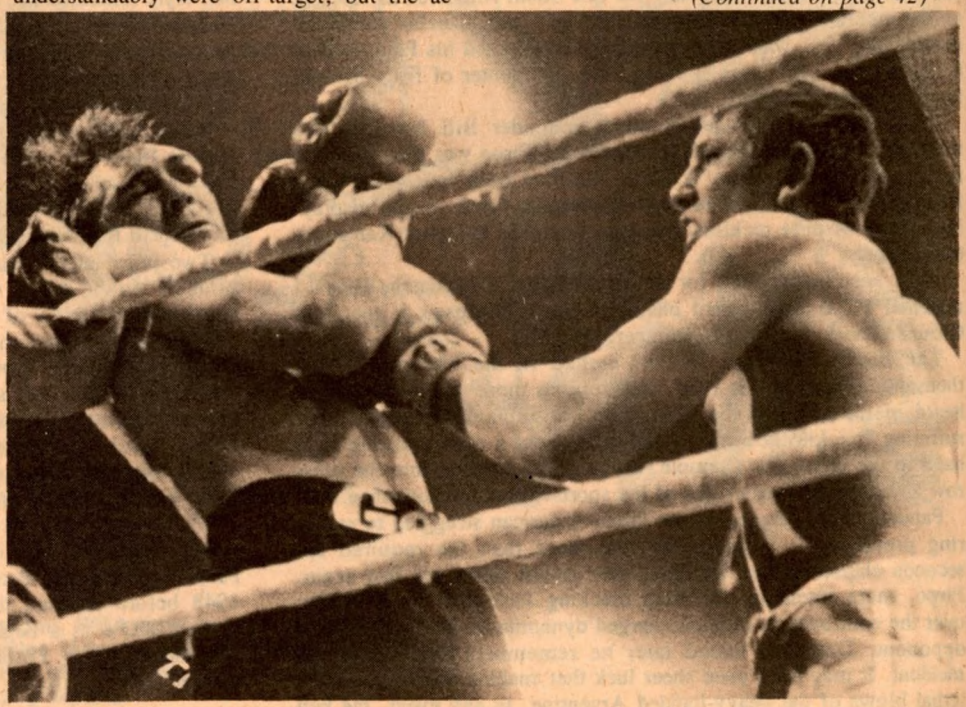

British and European Jr. welterweight king Dave "Boy" Green backs former welter champ John H. Stracey into a corner and hammers away during their London bout. The fight was stopped in round ten.

MUANGSURIN STOPS ISHIMATSU

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

TOKYO, JAPAN — Lefty puncher Shengsak Muangsurin of Thailand scored a sixth round knockout over Guts (Suzuki) Ishimatsu, Japan, and kept the WBC junior welterweight title before some 9,000 spectators at Kuramae Sumo (Japanese Wrestling) Arena. It was ex-lightweight champion Guts' eleven months' layoff that accounted for the Thai southpaw's surprisingly easy and quick stoppage. In the final moments Saensak threw a barrage of punches at his opponent's breadbasket, and Ishimatsu collapsed doubled up in pain and was out.

Both battlers entered the ring at 140 pounds, the limit of the class, however the difference in their physiques seemed to indicate Shengsak's superiority in power.

After a petty quarrel before the game, they cautiously commenced fighting in an opening session. Seldom did they exchange any rallies to study the rival's reactions. Ishimatsu, who turned TV commedian during the criticized layoff after he was dethroned by Esteban DeJesus in San Juan last May, kept moving faster than the upright lefthander in the second round. Muangsurin's wide open style with his arms held high was familiar to fight fans here, for the Thai ex-kick boxer had lopsidedly defeated Tetsuo Furuyama, national champ of Nippon, in 15 heats in January last year.

Ishimatsu, in round three, began to release stinging lefts to the face, while Shengsak was so bold as to smile without responding to his one-inch shorter rival. By a slight margin Ishimatsu took the round, as Muangsurin was retreating all the way.

In the fourth session Muangsurin, 24 years old and nicknamed 'Sab' (naughty boy in the Thai language), displayed scrappy action as he sent long lefts at Ishimatsu's body. The champion made good use of a five-inch advantage in reach.

The fifth canto saw Ishimatsu, 25, retreating often to avoid the straight lefts of Muangsurin, who occasionally nailed the Japanese against the ropes or in a corner to land a two-fisted attack to the face and body. Clearly it was a round for the Thai lefty.

Until the end of the fifth stanza, Filipino referee Larry Nadayag scored the contest 48-45 for Muangsurin, while judges Takeo Ugo of Japan and Sakda Permkuamdee of Thailand also saw it 49-48 and 50-47, each in the Thai's favor.

In the fatal sixth round, Muangsurin

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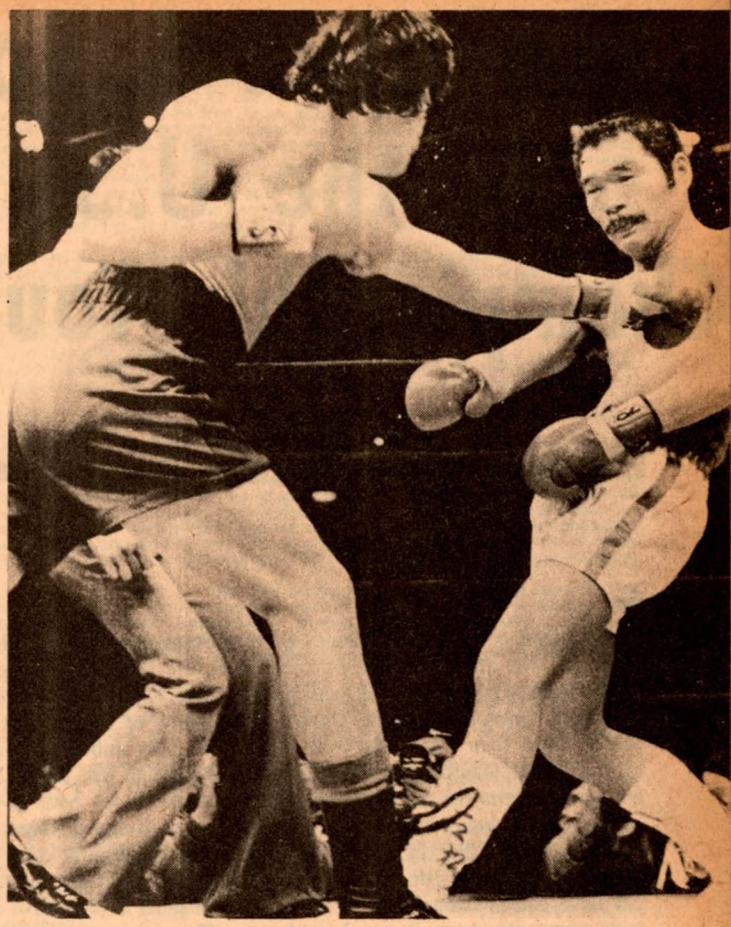
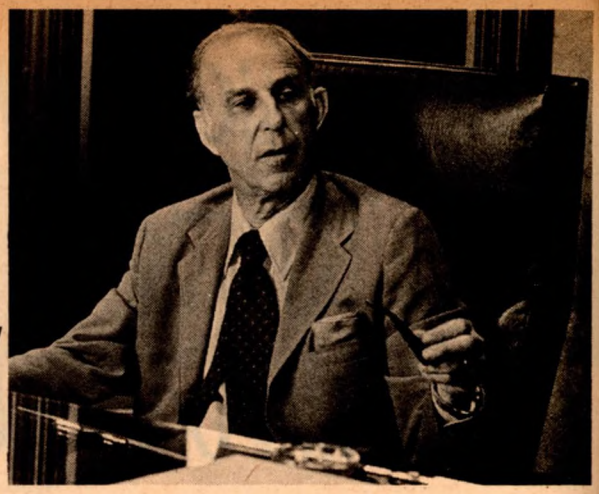


WBC Jr. welter king Shengsak Muangsurin connects with a powerful left to the head of Japanese challenger Guts Ishimatsu during their Tokyo bout. The Thai is a former kick-boxer.

Trainer Eddie Townsend comes to the aid of Ishimatsu after he was knocked out by Muangsurin in the sixth round of the title-go. Muangsurin's arm is raised in victory in the background.

The RING'S Role in the U.S. Championship Tourney



By NAT LOUBET
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April 20, 1977

THE concept of a United States Boxing Tournament and resulting U.S. champs in each division was the brainchild of THE RING back in 1972 and was offered to many promoters before Don King recognized the possibilities and sold the idea to ABC sports.

The idea was sound, and was programmed to give work to many fighters of all classes, all weight divisions, and make popular and eventually bring back to the United States some of the world titles lost in recent years. Fighters of whom the fans never heard would be able to show their wares and from these practically unheard of fighters would come a new generation of fighters and fight clubs.

The RING magazine was to allow Don King to use the RING United States Ratings based on records collected by THE RING as it always had from the inception of the *Ring Record Book* back in 1941.

THE RING was neither asked for nor proposed any different methods from those it had always used in preparing ratings. Ring sources for records have always been newspaper clippings, regular correspondents, state commissions (where possible), managers, fighters, et al.

During the entire life span of THE RING, which began in 1922, we have been the only reliable source for information. Many states do not have commissions, and of those who do most do not have accurate records, so newspaper men, newscasters, promoters and managers have constantly been in touch with our offices for record information. In fact, commissions themselves are constantly requesting RING records when fighters come into their areas.

In all the years of record keeping there have been few discrepancies; some, but not many. Then came the United States Championship Tournament. News of the tournament was allowed to leak, and indeed was shouted by the Don King organization long before any dates for its beginning had been set forth. It now becomes evident that some managers decided to add fights to the actual records of their fighters in order to make the dish more appetizing for rating and inclusion in the tournament.

Back then there was no reason to believe that there would be any more problem with records than we had ever experienced, but then, this was the first time we were involved in a tournament or any other commercial enterprise which used our ratings and records. To prevent this ever happening again THE RING will accept only those complete records of fighters that are authenticated.

Early in the game it came to our attention that one Ike Fluellen of Houston, Texas, a Jr. middleweight, had a suspicious record, and it was brought to the attention of the Don King menage and to the United States Championship Committee, headed up by James A. Farley, Jr., to whom all concerned should give a vote of thanks for his integrity and untiring efforts to keep the tournament on the square and to build the committee into an influence free body that could operate with efficiency.

As a result of THE RING report Fluellen was scratched as a possible participant in the tournament. Since the June issue went to press it has been definitely determined that Fluellen has a false record and he is being dropped from the ratings.

Now, as to the rest of the inaccuracies. It has been reported that in all, some eleven fighters have padded records with some thirty inaccuracies in all. Consider that there were sixty-four plus alternates who began in the tourney as possible competitors.

As of this writing, four out of the thirty some odd fighters left in the tournament have padded records. They are Vonzell Johnson, Greg Coverson, Richard Rozelle, and Floyd Mayweather.

Vonzell Johnson is a light heavyweight with some thirteen fights and thirteen wins, including a win in the tournament. For some reason three fights that never occurred were added to the record sent in to RING magazine. One wonders why, since Johnson qualified for the tournament without this extra nonsense.

The second of the quartette, Greg Coverson, is a lightweight with nine straight legitimate wins, including a tourney win. He had two fights added to his skein that were non-existant.

Next on the list of four is Richard "The Fly" Rozelle, a featherweight with eight straight wins including two in the tournament. His record arrived with one fight added, just for good measure.

The last of the men with additions who is still in the tourney is Floyd Mayweather, a welter with twelve fights and one loss since his pro start in 1974. He has one win in the tourney. With five straight wins, five more fights were tagged on and sent in.

The manager of all four fighters, Henry Grooms, has written a letter to James A. Farley, Jr., chairman of the tourney committee, with copies to Don King and THE RING. The letter follows:

April 14, 1977

Mr. James Farley
New York Boxing Commission
270 Broadway
New York, NY 10007

Dear Mr. Farley,
I am writing in regards to our phone conversation of 4-12-77.
The reason that the records of Richard Rozelle and Greg Coverson do not appear in the 1975 Ring Book is because both of these fighters started their pro careers in 1976 and

their records indicate such. Floyd Mayweather turned pro in 1974 as did Vonzell Johnson and their records are as follows: Floyd Mayweather—11-1, Vonzell Johnson—13-0, Greg Coverson—9-0, and Richard Rozelle—8-0, including their recent fights in the Don King Tournament of Champions. All of the records that you see here are completely accurate.

I would like to take this opportunity to apoligize to both you and your committee for any undue embarrassment or questions related to these records involving my fighters, who are participating in the U.S. Boxing Championships. I apologize to you and your committee, and likewise to ABC TV and Ring Magazine and all of their staffs, only for the inadequacy of not being capable of being abreast of my fighters updated records which had been dispatched to the Ring Record Book without my absolute viewing. As you may well understand, there have always been managers and trainers as well as promoters who have had to grovel through this game of boxing without having made any money. This is because of not enough efficiency and not maintaining adequate help in employing the necessary supervision of documentation and the filing of documents throughout their years of participation. It could indeed become absolutely disastrous on the part of these responsible parties such as myself as a manager, trainers, and promoters if 3 or 4 years pass and no filing has been kept or records on your particular athletes. Also, around the country commissions have failed and avoided the responsibility of adequately dealing with this administrative duty. Some states have "outlaw commissions", where individual cities house committees made up of no responsible or qualified people and they attempt to guide the administrative strategics controlling the game of boxing. There are many fighters across the country who I am sure, if one were to check into all of their records, would have inadequacies in 9 out of 10 fights and they would come out in their records in the Ring Book, which is used for the purpose of record checking by managers and promoters across the country.

This points up the administrations inadequacies on the part of the managers and promoters and administrations governing the great game of boxing. I do not make a case for these inadequacies rendered to put me in a position that makes my staff and I any less responsible for our inadequacies or any less guilty for the individual responsibilities of these parties and their failure to comply and see to it that one's own individual records are correct and that one complies to his obligations to members of the media as well as to the promoter.

So, No. 1, I feel as though I first, as a responsible party who manages and controlls my fighters, have failed to make myself aware of the records dispatched from this office to Ring Magazine or perhaps other agencies or people, that bear slight inaccuracies. Not in the sense of win-loss records, which I feel would be more absolute and give him wins instead of his losses, and give him recognition he does not actually deserve, in the sense of protecting his losses from the officials and the public.

I accept the responsibility for this failure, but only because the parties that work for me are responsible to me for accuracy and I am responsible for what comes out of my office, although in this particular case I was not made aware or given knowledge of the inadequacies of the records. This only bears out administrative mistakes on the part of the secretaries responsible for such documents in my office.

I have brought this matter to the attention of my secretary who still remains on the job and it is impossible to pass it on to the attention of the other secretary who at this time is no longer employed by myself, but who also bears some of the responsibility for this administrative failure.

I have under contract 10 professional fighters for whom I have worked diligently and honestly concerning myself with the positive behavior and dignity of these fighters. I can assume that young ladies not familiar with the sport of boxing can honestly make mistakes regarding the records of fighters. Not knowing too sharply one fighter from another or even one fight from another after 3 or 4 weeks on the job where fighters are coming in and out of the gym frequently. Being honest, and according to the old cliche involving black athletes who are assembled in one place and in large numbers, "all blacks look alike". It has been true to form in the hiring of some of my young staff whom happen to be white that they are confused for at least 3 or 4 weeks at who's who in identity. It is most difficult to understand why there is this difficulty with the development of people, but never-the-less, I have to accept the individuals difficulty in identifying until such time as they can become aware of who's who. Not only individually, but also in their responsibility and duty in my office regarding boxing. This, I am sure, is not hard to understand because across the land there are men who are totally involved in this business who do render mistakes and indecisions and inadequacies, some purposely and some non purposely, housed around the fact of ignorance or the No. 1 criminal action of all mankind, individuals practicing genocide on their fellow man.

I can clearly state that if I am guilty of any infraction of any rules or regulations this bears my guilt. That is inadequately scrutinizing the records and this conduct of my employees that have to be accountable to me for accuracy. If I am guilty ever of any infractions, it is due to my naiveness and inability to understand that out of pettiness in the hearts of other men, who are lying and grasping along the road to success, the entrapments being bestowed upon individuals working diligently, the hard way, to accomplish success. The same individual who has worked so hard to conquer success with honesty can fail to abridge this without the efficiency of perfection, and can not allow one factor to remain not perfect. If in this tournament I have failed to, in my conduct and responsibility to you and your committee, ABC, and Ring Magazine, it is only because I have failed to adhere to abridging myself to the documenting of the records of my fighters.

I have not received any monies or given any monies to or from any one as a kickback for a kickback, or about a kickback in terms of this tournament. I have not heard of or had any one tell me about any on the parts of people that I am familiar with or not familiar with involving any infractions regarding this tournament. The only time that has even been heard by me regarding an infraction, supposedly, and this is a here-say situation, is that I heard while in San Antonio that Kenny Weldon, the boxer from Houston, had allegedly stated that he was involved in some manner of kickback for his entrance into the tournament. Beyond this I stand free of any knowledge or facts regarding this tournament and its conduct.

No. 2 Responsibility, Conduct, Performance, Honesty, Integrity, Intelligence, Sincerity. The above mentioned words I sincerely feel have represented my fighters and myself during this tournament. Their cleanliness and neatness in appearance in the way the go into the ring bears out their efficiency and high caliber performances against their opponents and their accountability for being on time in many places. They are also responsible to the media and ABC TV and the DKP staff and the commissions from the various states and to yourself and your office, and I feel they are beyond reproach.

Their abilities to perform to the status of the recognition they have received from the ratings they obtained prior to the tournament in Ring Magazine, has to bear the fruit that they have proven to be not only deserving of the prior ratings, but they deserve higher ratings because they are still in it down to the wire. They are the only ones left in numbers other than one situation with two fighters. That means in terms that all of my stable that is left in the tournament should not have been rated lower that 3 in the U.S. No one has the capacity to know the outcome of fights unfought and to play the part of Christ and look into the futures of men. So, therefore, it goes without saying that the responsibility of these young men who I am responsible for and to, have conducted themselves in a professional manner and worked diligently to prove their abilities to succeed. We have stayed abreast of our competition and we have asked for nothing other than an opportunity to try to rise above the hard times and the non-economic status that swallows up small people trying to improve things from a lower level and rise and try to attain a higher level with dignity.

So, if ABC and those responsible and you, your committee, Nat Loubet, Ring Magazine, Mr. Ort, the new media throughout the country, and the boxing fans in the U.S. agree and feel as though any of you do not concur with the statements set down in this letter, I would be more than willing to address in person and challenge anyone at disagreement with these statements as of this date.

Furthermore, there are those who are ambitiously determined to destroy and decay this tournament and the people who are participating and have worked so hard for these fighters and the fights, so they can prove their abilities and worth in life. Fans enjoy watching the boxers in these matches who are grasping for success and they follow the U.S. Tournament with enthusiasm, not only in Michigan, but throughout the country and watch the opportunities of young men to climb out of the ghetto and the hard times and get close enough to grasp the successes of their dreams and ambitions. It would be the saddest, most disgraceful game to ever hit boxing, if men who are dissatified and jealous disrupt so many hard working young men with ambitions. It is another sign of decay in our society where the big men grab power at the expense of the little men.

Thank you very much for your attention and your sincere concern and I am sorry and once again apologize not only for the inadequate records, but for this long and wordy letter. However, I feel that it was necessary for me to say no less than what was said. I definitely feel I could say many more things about boxing and boxers in an arena in which we all so diligently work and compete.

Sincerely,
Henry Grooms

I believe that it should be clear to our readers that never has THE RING been guilty of any wrongdoing. THE RING has always kept faith with our readers and done the best we could. We will always do so. If any member of our staff were to break this tradition he would be summarily dismissed from the organization.

It has been recommended by us that if a truly perfect record score sheet is desired, that ABC or Don King put up the six figure money needed to set up an independent record check that would investigate every fighter's record who becomes eligible for the United States Ratings. It is the only way to insure complete accuracy in a tournament with big money for the grabbing. It has never been necessary under normal conditions, but no tourney should be run in the future without this kind of safeguard. The cost will be heavy for the televisor or promoter, but the sugar made is sufficient for them to pay the tab so as to insure complete accuracy.

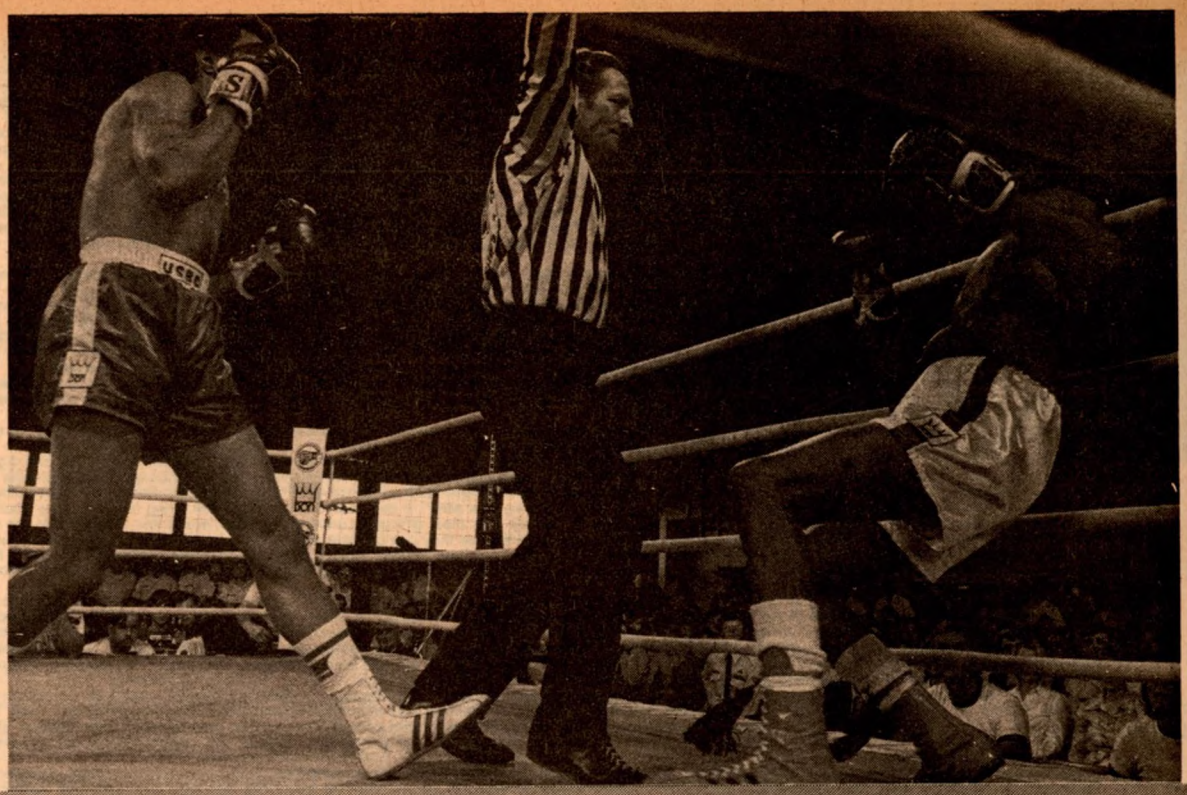
RING readers will receive further info on the tourney and the investigation as it develops.

As long as so many people seem interested at this time, it might be a good opportunity for someone to propose a national commission which would then be supervising all of these endeavors.

I don't believe that anyone could have attempted to do a better job than did our championship committee chairman, Farley, Jr. Had the tourney made it through the first year it would have solved most of the growing pain problems.

At one point the committee had its attention drawn to a claim that a manager promised a fighter that if he would switch to him that he could do all sorts of marvelous things for him. He had as much drag as a caterpiller. The committee arranged with the manager for him to give back the money he had taken from the fighters and to drop his interest in two other fighters he had in the tournament. As a result, Farley and yours truly checked each fighter at the next weigh-in and in all subsequent tournament weigh-ins, with Farley asking each fighter the name of his manager, how long he had had a contract with him, how many fights under his direction, etc. In addition the committee checked on any item that might seem an infraction or impropriety. Farley upon advice from THE RING even checked into fighters' birth places to insure that questionable U.S. citizens would not be in the tourney.

I will cooperate in the official investigation and THE RING will continue its own investigation.



In the last quarter-final round, middleweight David "Sugar" Love, San Diego, left, scored an upset win over Bobby "Boogaloo" Watts, Philadelphia, right, when referee Arthur Mercante stopped the action in round four.

U.S. Championship Tourney Approaches Climax

By GORDON PETERSON

Photos By Dwight Johnson

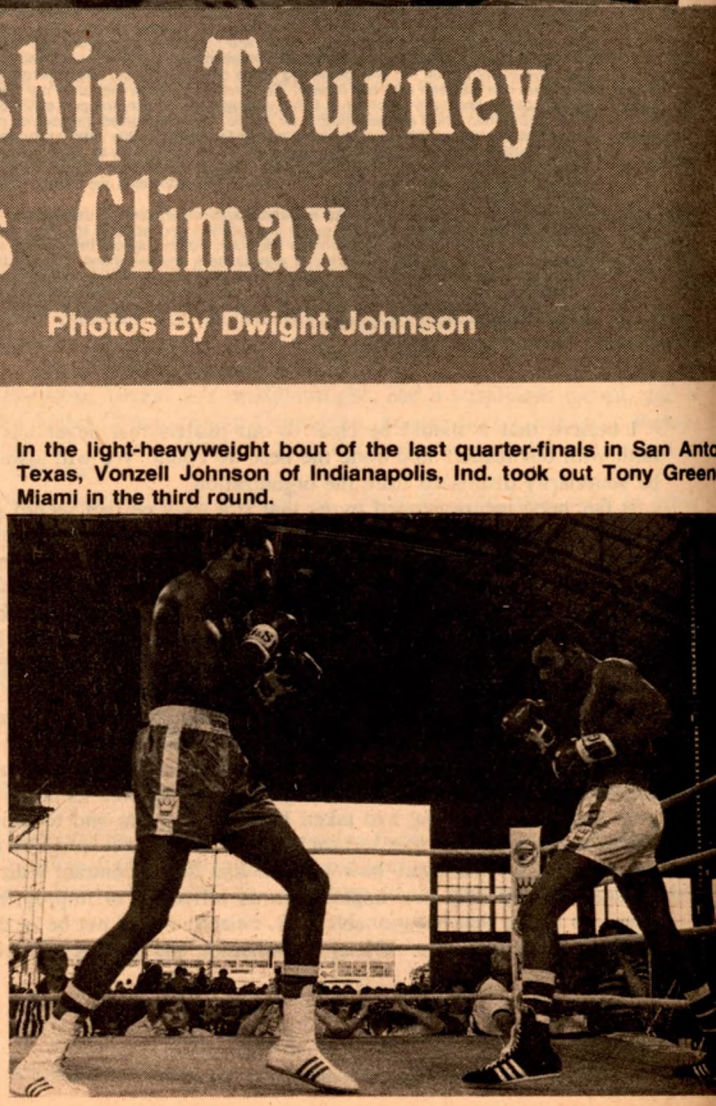
QUARTERFINAL Action, San Antonio, Texas

The last quarterfinal round in the United States Boxing Championships from Randolph Field in San Antonio, Texas proved to be as exciting as the previous three quarterfinal shows and included a mild upset. In a nationally televised middleweight bout, David "Sugar" Love of San Diego, California, scored a fourth round technical knockout over Bobby "Boogaloo" Watts of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Watts, down twice in the third round by Love's lightning rights to the chin, was clearly out of the action in the fourth round. After another vicious right to Watts' chin, referee Arthur Mercante stopped the contest. "I knew Watts knew I was coming with my right, but there was nothing he could do," said Love. "I can just get away with it."

Watts was ranked ahead of Love before the bout, but after the fight Love remarked, "I suspect that will change." Love, who had lost 11 fights before Angelo Dundee began handling him, is confident he can win the tournament and a shot at title holder Carlos Monzon. "The kid didn't have his head on straight, but he does now," said Dundee. "He will be the next middleweight champin of the world, I guarantee you that."

In light heavyweight action, Vonzell Johnson of Indianapolis, Indiana, scored a third round knockout (tko) over Miami's Tony Greene. Johnson came out as the aggressor and had Greene backpedaling most of the fight until he drove him into a corner. At

In the light-heavyweight bout of the last quarter-finals in San Anto Texas, Vonzell Johnson of Indianapolis, Ind. took out Tony Green Miami in the third round.



(Above left) Lightweight Jerry Kornelle, Galena Park, Texas, right, lost an eight round nod to Greg Coverson, Seattle, Washington. (Above right) In heavyweight action, Denver, Colorado's Leroy Jones, right, beat Attleboro, Massachusetts' John "Dino" Dennis over eight rounds. Both bouts were in the quarterfinals.

that point, he began pounding Greene at will until referee Pete Rademacher stopped the contest.

The featherweight contest between Dallas's James Martinez and Warren Matthews of New Orleans was close throughout, and when the split decision was awarded to Martinez, the crowd of 6,000 airforce personnel booed for several minutes. Matthews was the aggressor in the latter rounds after the stronger Martinez had built up a slight lead in the early rounds.

Greg Coverson, a flashy lightweight from Seattle, Washington, scored a unanimous decision over Jerry Kornelle of Galena Park, Texas. Coverson had Kornelle outclassed, but the tough Texan refused to go anywhere and was in close throwing bombs at the final bell.

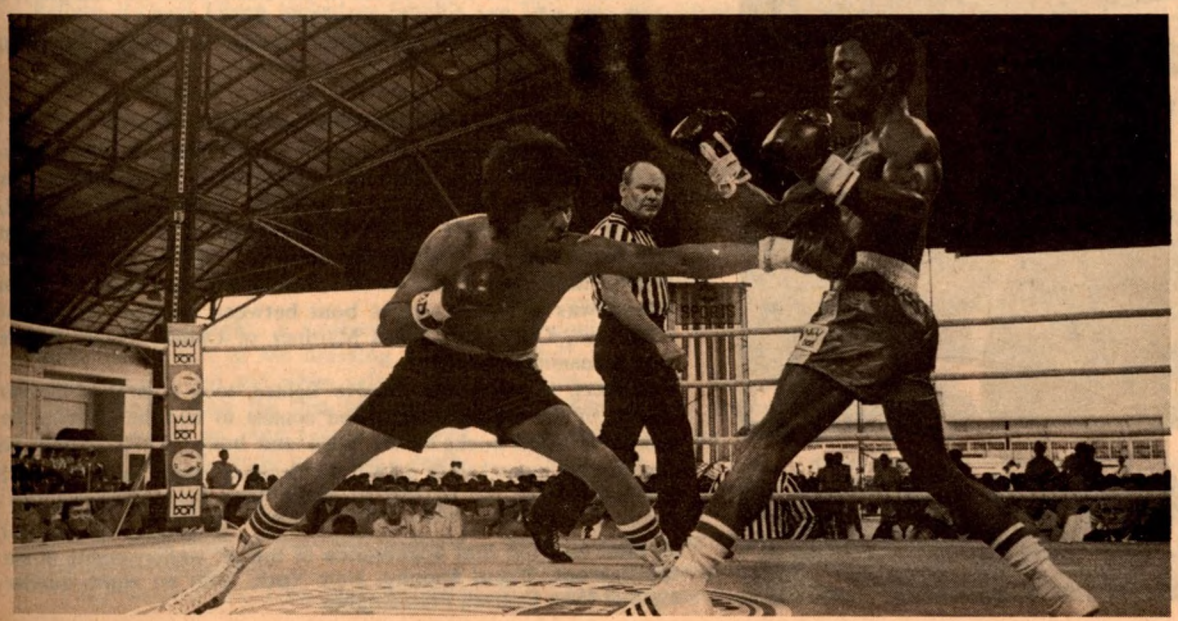
The heavyweight contest between Leroy Jones, a mammoth 259 pounder from Denver, Colorado, and John "Dino" Dennis, 220, Attleboro, Massachusetts, had the crowd on its feet throughout the entire see-saw battle. Both fighters seemed to have the other one ready to fall on several occasions, but Jones won the last two rounds and took the decision. After the bout it was revealed that Dennis had fractured his clavicle in the fourth round, and the doctor at ringside was quoted as saying, "I don't know how Dennis withstood the pain, it must have been unbearable."

The final bout on the card was a welterweight battle between Miguel Barreto, of San Juan, Puerto Rico, and Floyd Mayweather, of Kalamazoo, Michigan. Mayweather scored a unanimous decision over the veteran Barreto, who blamed a long layoff for the loss.

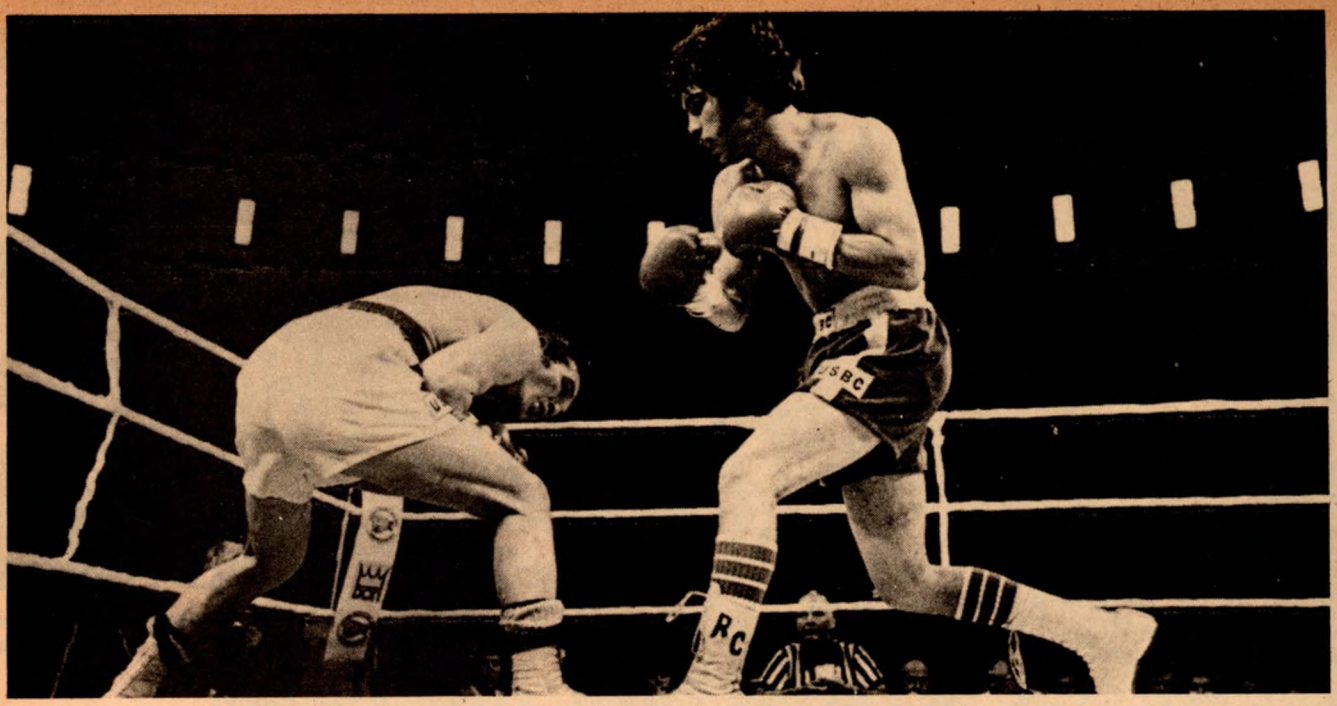
SEMI-FINAL ROUND ACTION, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

The first semi-final round of the United States Boxing Championships got underway at the Hemisfair Center in San Antonio, Texas, with a ten round featherweight bout, a ten round lightweight bout and the first Jr. welterweight bout. An enthusiastic crowd of 3,000 watched featherweight Ruben Castillo win a narrow decision over Walter Seely, lightweight Ruby "The Snake" Ortiz defeat Johnny Sullivan in a rough battle, and Jr. welter Saoul Mamby take a nod over Mike Everett.

Castillo, a class boxer from Bakersfield, California, kept his undefeated record intact by scoring a close decision over the crafty Seely, from Sayville, N.Y. Seely suffered a bloody nose in the fourth round, but continued to take the fight to Castillo in the late



Also in the quarterfinals, James Martinez, a featherweight from Dallas, took an eight round decision over Warren Matthews, New Orleans. Martinez went on to face Richard Rozelle in the semi-finals, with Rozelle taking the nod.



In the first semi-final round in the featherweight class, Ruben Castillo, Bakersfield, California, right, beat Walter Seeley, Sayville, N.Y., over eight rounds.

rounds of the fight. The fight was even going into the ninth round, but what appeared to be a slip by Seely was considered a knockdown by Jay Edson, and the final two rounds went to the flashy Castillo.

Seely, a southpaw, gave the California featherweight trouble in the early part of the fight, but Castillo seemed to build confidence when he saw the blood coming from Seely's nose. Seely was backpedalling from a Castillo right hand in the ninth round when he went down for a brief moment. Referee Edson gave him the mandatory eight count, but it certainly did not appear to be a clean knockdown.

Castillo, managed by Harold Cox, has catapulted himself into the limelight after being given RING magazine's Progress Award of the year.

Lightweight Ruby Ortiz, a smart counter puncher from Brooklyn, N.Y., had the game, but outclassed Johnny Sullivan on the ropes several times, but could not put him away. At the end of the fight, it appeared that Sullivan merely wanted to go the distance, as he hung on for dear life. Sullivan came out with his usual rough, pounding style, and Ortiz went to work on him from the outset, keeping him off balance with a series of hard body shots.

Sullivan was warned by Referee Larry Barrett for butting in the sixth round and for low blows on several other occasions. The likeable Sullivan, from Kearny, N.J., apologized to Ortiz after the bout, and the two embraced. Ortiz was given the nod.

Saoul Mamby, New York, 140, won a ten round nod over Philadelphia's Mike Everett, 139. This was the first appearance of the junior welterweight division in the tournament.

Mamby won the first four rounds scoring with good shots to the body and head of Everett.

Mike turned the bout around in the fifth, when he changed to a southpaw style. This won him the next three rounds.

Mamby finished fast the last two rounds to win the nod on all three judges' cards.

SEMI-FINAL ROUND ACTION, MIAMI

The second semi-final round of the United States Boxing Championships featured a nip and tuck middleweight bout between Las Vegas's Rocky Mosley, Jr., and Mike Colbert from Portland, Oregon, the Number 1 ranked middleweight in the world. Colbert was the winner in a close split decision. The second tournament bout in the Grand Ballroom of the Fountainbleau Hotel in Miami Beach was a featherweight bout between Richard Rozelle of Columbus, Ohio, and James Martinez of Dallas, Texas. Rozelle won a unanimous decision.

Colbert, a flashy, yet evasive fighter, took control in the late rounds of the nationally televised contest to win the decision. He scored with left hooks to the head and body, while Mosley just couldn't get untracked to deliver the deciding punch in the fight. "He was more aggressive than I thought, and that caught me by

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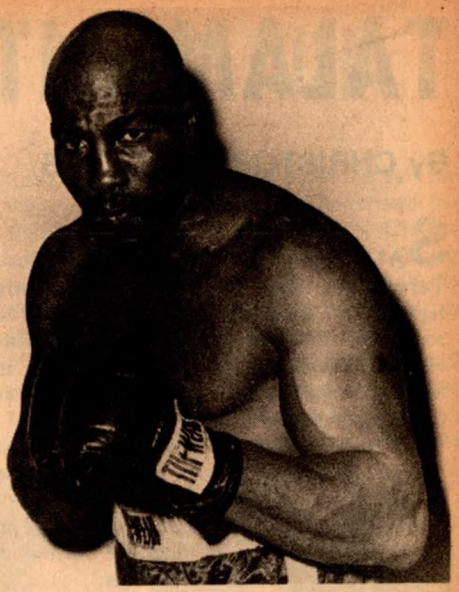
In what was the first appearance of the Jr. welterweights in the tournament, Saoul Mamby, New York, won an eight-rounder against Mike Everett, Philadelphia.

Earnie Shavers Takes Out Howard Smith in Two

Heavyweight Howard Smith. Los Angeles, California.



Heavyweight Earnie Shavers, Warren, Ohio.

By SHIRLEY NORMAN

Earnie Shavers isn't called "The Black Destroyer" for nothing. The bald-headed battler proved the merits of his nickname in a mere two rounds in his bout against Howard Smith, the California State Heavyweight Champion.

The brief ring battle, held at Las Vegas' Aladdin Hotel, and televised nationally by CBS, was a one-sided Shavers saga all the way.

Earnie came out slugging at the opening bell—and he kept on slugging and punching until the hapless Smith was nearly senseless. Smith's mistaken strategy of fighting head-to-head with the brutal Shavers cost him three knockdowns in the first round. The battered underdog managed, however, to get to his feet each time and sustain a standing eight count.

Referee Richard Green looked to Smith's corner for permission to stop the fight, but trainer Bill Slayton kept nodding "No."

The 3-knockdown rule had been waived for this bout, and so the massacre continued into the second round.

Smith staggered through 5 minutes and 18 seconds of the second round until a vicious right hand blow to the neck proved to be his final undoing. Smith fell to the canvas—and to the second defeat of his now 17-1-2 career.

Following the fight, a smiling Earnie Shavers held court in his dressing room. Resplendent in a red and white velvet robe, he proclaimed: "After the first few minutes I knew he would go. And I knew it would be quick. Now I'm ready to tackle a really big one—like Ali or Foreman or Young."

Shavers' talkative trainer, Frank Luca, took over center stage as usual and made the following announcements:

"They waived the 3-knockdown rule without my permission. Otherwise the fight would have been over in the first round!" Also: "You can tell Mr. Jimmy Young that if he wants a re-match we'll be glad to accomodate him!" (Shavers KO'd Young in two rounds a year ago).

Luca continued: "Earnie got $100,000 for this fight. For the next one, we'll settle for $200,000!"

With this impressive victory, Shavers proved his reputation as one of the toughest sluggers in the heavyweight division. The Ohio brawler does, in fact, hit so hard that he trains in specially made 20-ounce gloves. The extra-heavy gloves soften the blows which his sparring partners must endure.

In contract to the jubilation of the Shaver's dressing room was the air of gloom that pervaded Howard Smith's quarters next door.

This was only Smith's second loss, but it was a bitter one.

"They kept asking me if I was hurt," said a subdued Howard Smith. "I was O.K. all the time. The referee asked me in the second round if I knew what round it was. I had to keep telling him—I was O.K."

Despite a cut below the right eye and the bitter pill of defeat, Smith was mentally and physically fit after the bout.

Howard went on, "I knew Shavers was really tough, but I thought I had a strategy that could cope with him. It just didn't work."

Smith's trainer, Bill Slayton, who also trains Ken Norton, was optimistic about his young fighter's future.

"Sure, we lost today," said Slayton. "But there will be victories ahead. We were up against a tough opponent. We realized how tough from the first round, but we were hoping the fight would last at least four or five rounds. Remember. . .Shavers had 62 fights under his belt. Howard's only had 20 including this one."

Slayton continued: "One loss doesn't end a career. Remember Ken Norton, at the beginning of his career, got knocked out by Pedro Garcia, and recovered from that to eventually fight twice for the world heavyweight title."

Some interesting preliminaries preceded the Smith-Shavers main event. One was the four-round women's match between Theresa Kibby (Princess Red Star) of Smith River, California, and Lavonne Ludian of Las Vegas. It was the third meeting of the two women, and the 145 pound Indian maid again outclassed her sluggish 147 pound opponent. The Princess landed numerous head and body punches which Ms. Ludian could not counter, and easily won by unanimous decision.

Saturday proved to be a great day for the Indians, as Princess Red Star's sister, Darlene Buckskin, 163, took a split decision from a constantly retreating 157 pound fighter, Sue Fox, of San Pedro, California. This four-rounder was the walkout bout.

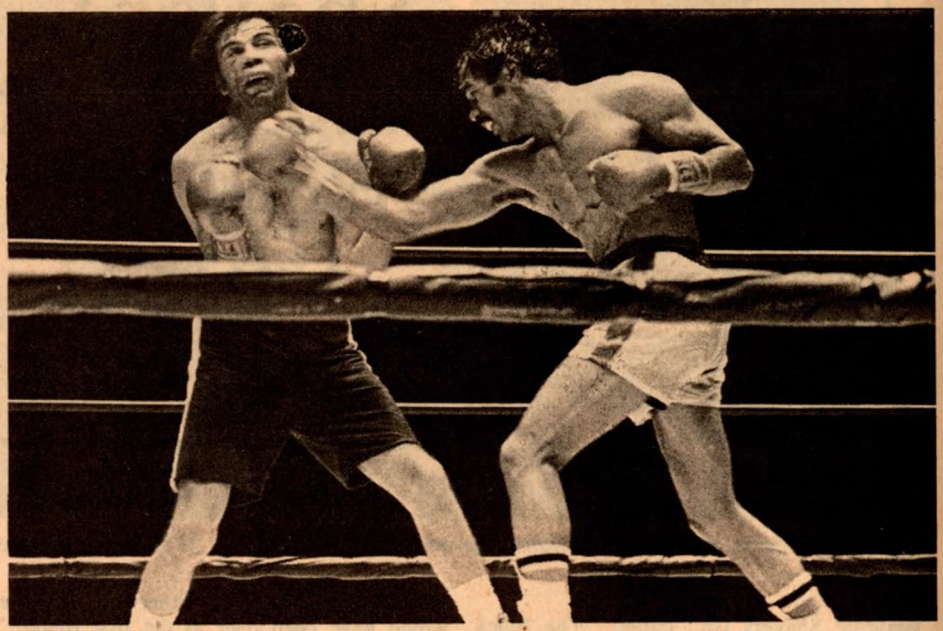
A third preliminary saw Olympic Medal winner Michael Spinks make his pro debut as he destroyed his little known opponent, Eddie Benson, at five seconds before the end of the first round. Spinks dropped Benson to the canvas three times before the final 10-count.

The opening preliminary likewise lasted only one round. This prelim featured the mammoth Lee Canalito, 6'5" and 261 pounds. Canalito, who is heralded as the "White Sonny Liston," is trained and co-managed by the venerable Angelo Dundee.

Canalito used his bloated opponent, Mike Rodgers, 255, for a veritable punching bag until the fight was stopped by referee Charley Roth at 2:26 of the first round.

TALAMANTEZ COPS STATE TITLE

By CHRISTOPHER COATS



Jose Talamantez winces from a stiff right thrown by Arturo Leon during the course of the California lightweight championship fight. Photo by Harry Rosenbluth.

SAN CARLOS, California — Jose Talamantez won the vacant California lightweight championship with a twelve round decision over Arturo Leon at the Circle Star Theater. Most of the 1357 fans in attendance greeted the decision with a chorus of boos and catcalls.

The state lightweight title was vacated last year when Monroe Brooks abandoned it due to his inability in making the 135 pound limit. There are many good lightweights in California, but most of them are entered in the two major boxing tournaments.

Leon, originally from Tucson, Arizona, had a professional record of 33 wins, 10 losses, and one draw. The draw was against world rated Jimmy Heair whom Leon had previously beaten by decision. Leon is a seasoned fighter, a clever counter puncher whose most notable lack of a fighting quality is the knockout punch.

Talamantez, from San Jose, was fighting in only his twelfth professional bout when he faced Leon. He had ten victories and one draw, but never before had he been in a twelve round bout. He possessed a considerable reach and height advantage over Leon but had nowhere near as much boxing experience.

The distance took its toll on Talamantez and it proved once again that stamina comes from experience. For the first eight rounds Talamantez had a slight edge. He pursued Leon, landed some pretty stiff right hands,

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Former world welterweight king Billy Backus, Canastona, New York, connects to the head of Roy Barrientes, Fort Worth, Texas, during the Syracuse fight. Backus won a unanimous decision.

Backus Beats Barrientes

By JIM LEO

SYRACUSE — A World Television Championships card of boxing, with Hank Schwartz and Don Elbaum and assisted by the local Canastota Boxing Club, staged an excellent card of boxing at the War Memorial Auditorium on a pre Easter Good Friday night.

A fine crowd of 3500 attended and saw popular favorite Billy Backus, 147, advance in a welterweight elimination bout as he defeated Roy Barrientes, 147, Fort Worth, Texas, via a 10 round unanimous decision.

Backus came to his opponent in his usual aggressive style. Barrientes did not give much ground, but it was the Canastota southpaw who seemed to land the harder shots. Backus appeared to have his foe hurt in the first and again in the fifth. Barrientes was downed in the fifth from strong body punches.

Billy scored with good body blows during the contest, while Barrientes showed fast hands and proved to be a worthy foe, though his boast of k.o.'ing the former champ in eight or nine rounds was never to be.

Backus was cut on the cheekbone in the third and gashed on the eye in the ninth. Both battlers finished exchanging at the final bell.

In this WTC bout no extra sudden death round was needed as Backus was ruled the winner: 9-1, (Referee Valan) 9-1, (Judge Antonacci), and 6-3-1 (Judge Palmer).

In the other ten-rounder, a light heavyweight elimination bout, Eddie Davis, 173, Freeport, L.I., N.Y., upped his record to 8-0-1, as he stopped a game Bob Stewart, 174, at 1:01 into the fourth round. After an even two rounds, Davis decked the Albany youngs-

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CANADIAN WELTER CHAMP, GRAY, LOSES TITLE

By FRANK ALLNUTT

MONTREAL — Clyde Gray (Toronto) and Guerrero Chavez (Montreal) ran into problems and controversy long before the boxers entered the ring. At the official weigh-in the champion, Gray, made 147 and Chavez came in at 146¼.

The bout was being filmed by Toronto T.V. to be shown at a later date. Requests were made by the management of Gray have the scores of each official after each round be given to the T.V. commentator to include in his coverage were denied by the Montreal Commission.

Gray had the advantage of a couple of inches in height, but a big four inches in reach over Chavez. The first three rounds of the fight were clearly won by Gray, who chased Chavez all over the ring. Chavez was content to back off, bob and weave and to make sure Gray never had the opportunity to unload on him.

It was the same pattern to start off the fourth round, with the exception that Chavez did get in close enough to tie Gray up and start to throw some blows of his own. One left hook that he did throw caught Gray under the eye and started a swelling there. About midway through the round Chavez was caught by a left hook from Gray while backing off. His hands touched the canvas, but it was ruled as a slip by the referee. Before the round had ended Gray had a point deducted from his score for a low blow.

In the fifth round Chavez managed to open up the swelling under Gray's eye, and the blood started to trickle out. From that point on until the fight terminated, that injury under the eye was the main target for Chavez. Gray still forced and dominated the fight during the next three rounds. Chavez was not doing too much boxing, but taking advantage of getting in close to work on the damaged eye. He succeeded in opening a second cut over the eye of Gray.

Although blood was coming from the cuts around Gray's eyes he still carried the fight to his opponent in the ninth and tenth rounds. His punches were cleaner and more

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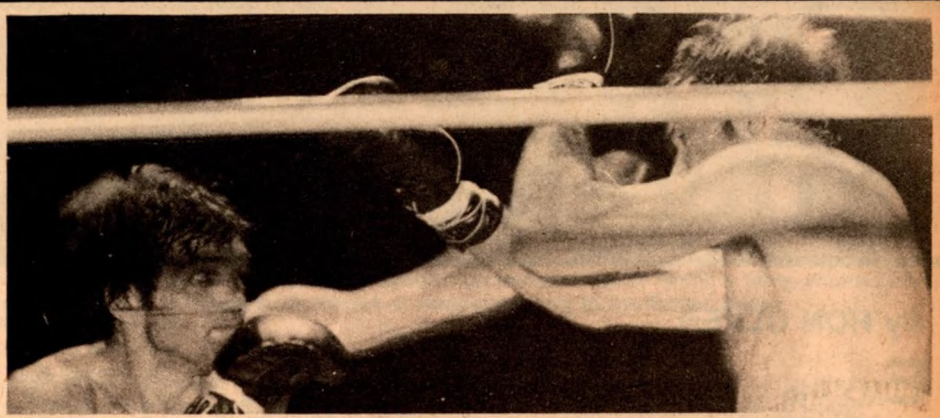
Venezuela's Guerrero Chavez lands a hard right against defending Canadian and Commonwealth welter champ Clyde Gray during their Montreal title bout. Chavez won the fight when the referee stopped the action in round 11 with Gray's right eye badly cut.

Wells Vs. Ross Goes To Grueling Draw



"Irish" Gene Wells, left, fires a jab at "Mad Dog" Ross as referee Jay Edson keeps an eye on the action. The grueling Orlando, Florida, battle went to a draw.

By BRUCE TRAMPLER

ORLANDO, Fla. — The bout was all things to all local boxing fans.

It was "The Fight," an attraction of sufficient magnitude to bring out a record 3,850 fans paying $14,850 on a Friday night. It was a Central Florida dream match, bringing together a pair of transplanted Alabamans who have lived in Orlando for some three years each. And it pitted the Southern Middleweight Champion, Irish Gene Wells, against the Southern Junior Middleweight Champion, Edgar (Mad Dog) Ross. Both were ranked in The Ring's U.S. Top 10, and each had a spectacular record: Wells at 52-11-4, 21 KOs, and Ross, unbeaten in his last 33 starts, at 41-1-1, 32 KOs.

And the result? Would you believe a draw?

Referee Jay Edson, a veteran of 32 world title fights, was imported from Naples, Florida, to work the main event on promoter Pete Ashlock's biggest card since 1969, covering 90 shows in the Orlando Sports Stadium. Edson tabbed it even at 97-97, while judge Frank Skilbred also voted a 95-95 draw. Judge Al Aldrich liked Ross, 97-94.

In truth, there was little to choose from. It was that close. In a brutally contested, particularly grueling battle, a draw was probably the only just verdict that could be rendered.

Ross captured the early rounds, with his aggressive, slam-bang style piling up points as he stormed after Wells with a relentless assault. Gene, six years older at 33, was cuter and wiser, and used all the tricks he'd learned in two decades of boxing to offset Mad Dog's offensive.

As the fight entered its second half, the

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David Green, England's new Golden Boy, right, comes through with flying colors against Jean-Baptiste Piedvoche for the EBU light welter title.

Meet EBU Jr. Welter King Dave "Boy" Green

By RON OLVER

ENGLAND — Mingling with the 300 guests (a record) at this year's Annual Dinner of the British Boxing Writers' Club I literally bumped into manager Andy Smyth. "Can't find Dave," he said.

Dave is Andy's British and European light-welter champion, who had just been presented with the Geoffrey Simpson Trophy for being voted the Best Young Boxer of 1976 by members of the club.

"Don't worry, Andy," I replied. "The last time I saw him he was chatting with projoter Harry Levene."

"That's all right then," said Andy. "We hope to do quite a bit of business with Mr. Levene in the future." From which you may gather that Dave is a hot piece of property as far as promoters are concerned. He comes to fight, and the fans love his aggressive approach.

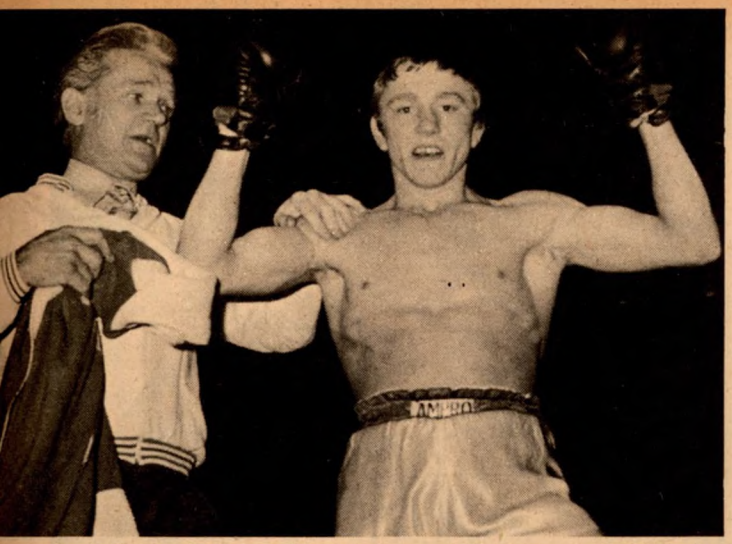
Dave comes from Chatteris in Cambridgeshire. If the name of this town seems familiar, it is probably because former British lightweight champion Eric "Boy" Boon also emanated from there. I would estimate the population of Chatteris in Boon's day to be around 5,000, and he was the one to put his birthplace on the boxing map. In 1935, at the age of 15, Eric made his London debut for promoter Jack Solomons at the old Devonshire Club. The story goes that Eric cycled all the way from Chatteris, but he now denies this, saying that he and his bike got a lift in a lorry. I prefer the original version.

Boon won the British title in 1938, gaining a Lonsdale Belt outright before he was 20, and holding his crown until 1944. In 1947 he challenged Ernie Roderick for the latter's welter championship, but was outpointed. He was regarded as the hardest-hitting lightweight champion of all time, and the Boon legend lives on, for at the Albert Hall recently he got the biggest cheer of the night when introduced from the ring.

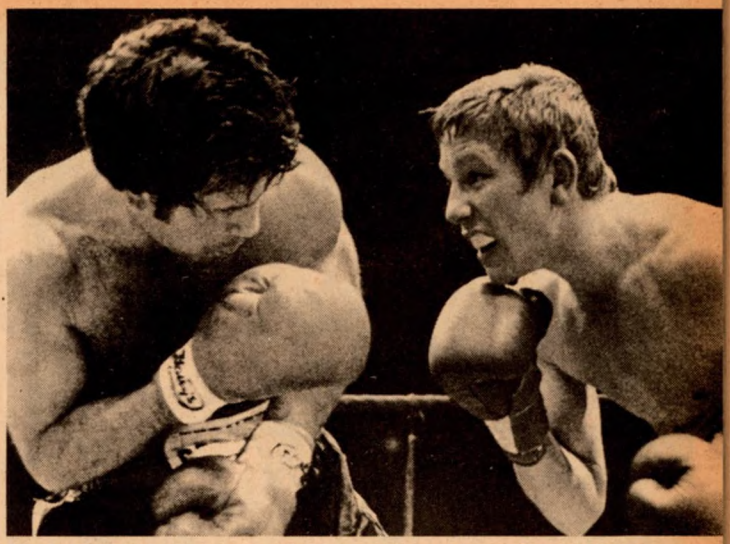
These days Eric puts on film shows of great fights of the past up and down the country for the disabled and other worthy charities, and is much in demand.

Boon was a blacksmith, Green is a farmer. Eric turned pro at 15, Dave, at 21. But for publicity reasons the latter is billed as Dave "Boy" Green. He was born on June 2, 1953, a date that will always be remembered because of the Queen's Coronation and the conquest of Everest.

He didn't lace on a glove until he was 13. David Cole, a school-mate, was trying to drum up interest in the Chatteris Amateur Boxing Club, and one of the eight new members he ac-



David Green (right) smiles in victory with manager Andy Smith, after scoring a ten round TKO over John Stracey in London.



Mario Gullotti, Argentina (left) covers up from England's Dave "Boy" Green in their junior welterweight bout held in London, England. David won a close 10 round nod over the British junior welter king.

quired was Dave. David Cole stated: "Dave was a good all-round sportsman, specializing at soccer and cross-country running. He took to boxing like a duck to water."

Green went on to become Eastern Counties champion three times, and had he not turned pro, would undoubtedly have represented his country. Altogether he had 106 amateur bouts.

In 1974 Dave went to see Andy Smith about the possibility of his turning pro. "You're not ready," was Andy's advice. "Get some more experience in the amateurs, and then we'll talk again."

Six months later Dave reached the semi-finals of the British Amateur Boxing Association Championships, losing to experienced international Terry Waller.

"Now you're ready," declared Andy. On December 10, 1974, Dave made his pro debut at Nottingham, knocking out Yotham Kunda in two rounds.

Dave's London debut was on January 20, 1975, when he kayoed Dave Coombs in two at the Anglo-American Sporting Club. Then Andy had the bright idea of himself promoting at the Cambridge Guildhall, and in three fights at this venue that year Dave won one on points, one on a knockout and the other on a retirement. His record at the end of 1975 was ten wins in as many fights, and he hadn't been given easy touches. He knocked out ringwise Tommy Joyce and Brian Jones, outpointed Angus McMillan, and in the final fight of the year stopped Alan Salter in one round.

This was excellent progress, and he continued with the good work in 1976, knocking out George McGurk, stopping Billy Waith in a final eliminator for the British light-welter title, stopping Giuseppe Minotti, outpointing Jim Montague and stopping Herbie McLean.

The stage was set for his shot at Joey Singleton's British title, which took place at the Albert Hall on June 1, 1976. Many thought that the jab-and-move tactics of the champ would prove too much for the comparatively inexperienced challenger, but Dave punched too hard for Joey and Singleton surrendered at the end of the sixth.

Former Carrott Packer Dave clowns around on manager Andy Smith's farm, where Green trains. Green is bringing back the art of body-punching to the British Isles.

Among the first to congratulate Dave was Eric Boon, and the scenes were tremendous. Before the fight the ring had been invaded by some of Dave's 3,000 fans, several of them dressed as country yokels and staging an impromptu concert. Dave himself wore a tigerskin robe with a hood, and he certainly showed tigerish qualities in his victory.

It is estimated that Dave sold £8,000 of tickets to his supporters, and that's some following.

Later that year Dave stopped Ecuador's Ramiro "Clay" Bolanos (a man who had fought four world champions) and established himself as a genuine prospect for world honours. His next outing, against Jimmy Heair, save him an overwhelming points victory. Dave won every round.

Last December Dave completed a fine year by winning the European light-welter crown. At the Albert Hall he beat Frenchman Jean-Baptiste Piedvache, who retired after nine rounds. Dave didn't have things all his own way, but his opponent's face was in a sorry state as a result of Dave's relentless punching. This time he sold £13,000 of tickets.

Argentinain Mario Guilloti was selected as Dave's next opponent, I imagine more for experience than for any other reason. Mario is durable, possesses a good defence and is in every way an awkward opponent to pin down. Dave won by the margin of two full points, which is equivalent to four rounds. It was his 23rd successive victory, and gave

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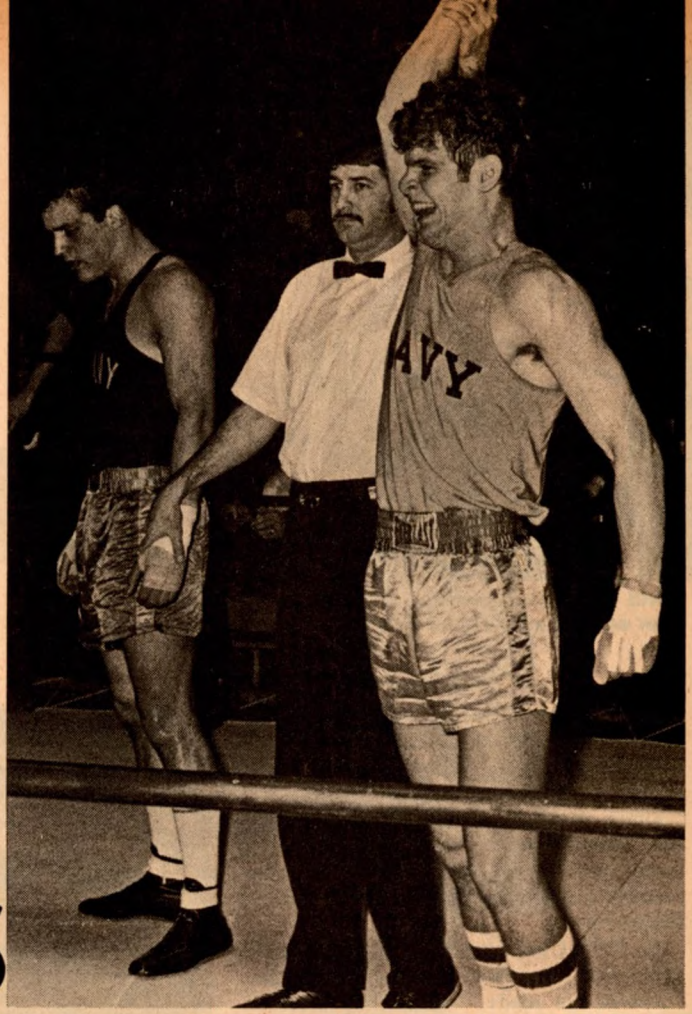
Heavyweight competition is always tough at Navy. J.R. Palin, left, and Doug Diehl battle it out with Diehl the winner.

U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY CHAMPIONSHIPS



Above, a happy champ and dejected loser. Will Irvin is the new 165 pound champ and the loser is Hugh Cornet. Referee is Lt. Craig Silverthorn a former brigade champ as a midshipman. (Below) coach Emerson Smith gives between rounds instructions to Donald Aiken who lost out despite Smith's excellent help.

By ELLEN RATRIE

IT'S a strange place for a "SILENCE" sign. But sure enough, there it hangs on the wall behind the Naval Academy's boxing ring in Macdonough Hall.

The walls around the boxing arena fill with the roars of hundreds of enthusiastic fans as midshipman boxers carry on a sport that is almost as old as the Naval Academy itself.

The cheers of almost 2000 spectators roared in Macdonough Hall again during the final bouts of the annual brigade open boxing championships.

After several months of training and a month of elimination fights, 14 midshipmen competed for the top spots in the seven weight classes of the Academy's biggest boxing event.

Taking the top spot, with a unanimous decision, in the 127-pound class was Midshipman Third Class Gary Fresquez of Raton, N.M. Danny Stevenson, a third classman from McAllen, Texas won at 135 pounds. Second classman Loren Divers of Olympia, Washington took the 145-pound title, and third classman Esteban Garcia of Pennsauken, N.J. won a unanimous decision at 155 pounds.

At 165 pounds, Will Ervin, a second classman from Baltimore, Md., was the winner, while Midshipman Second Class Christopher Breslin of Annandale, Va. won the 175 pound crown. Dough Deihl, a second classman from Willingboro, N.J. won the heavyweight title.

The Naval Academy rates its boxers on the old NCAA 10-point system. The fighters are graded on offense, defense, aggressiveness and generalship.

Explains head boxing coach Emerson Smith, "The emphasis is on skill rather than the knockout. The number of punches delivered rather than the one big punch is what is important."

There is a good reason for requiring boxing, says Emerson Smith. "It is important that these future naval officers know what it is to get hit. The one-to-one aspect of boxing is important in learning self-defense. A number of former midshipmen have expressed to me that their first time in combat in Vietnam was like coming out on the first bell of a boxing match. Our goal is to teach aggressive offense and aggressive defense with the emphasis on skill, not on injury. I try to teach it as a science. I advocate good physical conditioning, correctly taught skills, proper matching and good equipment."

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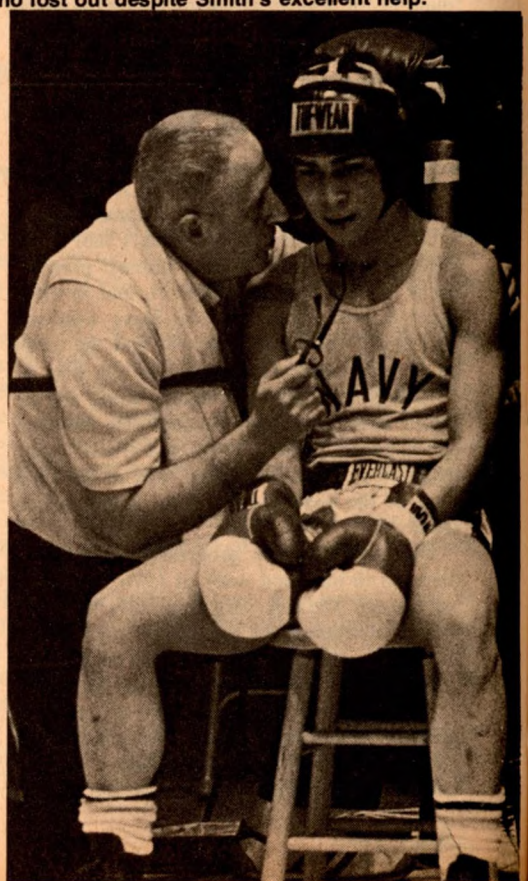
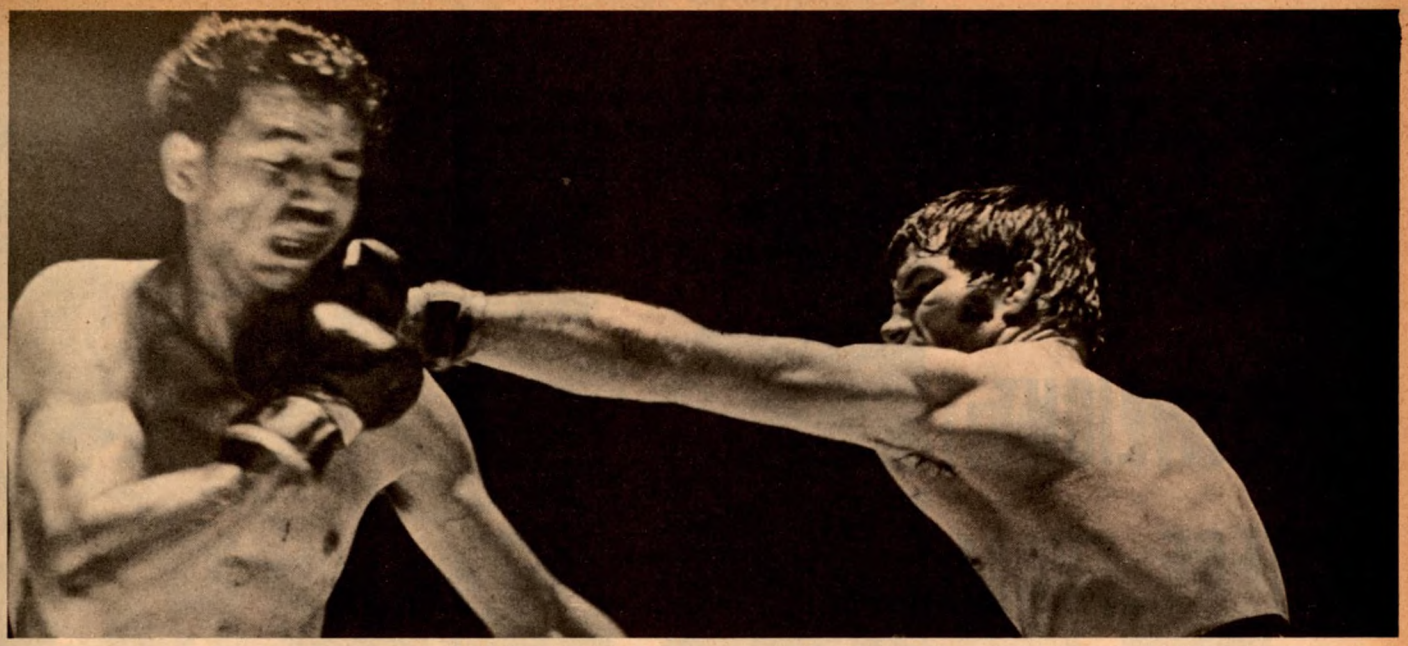
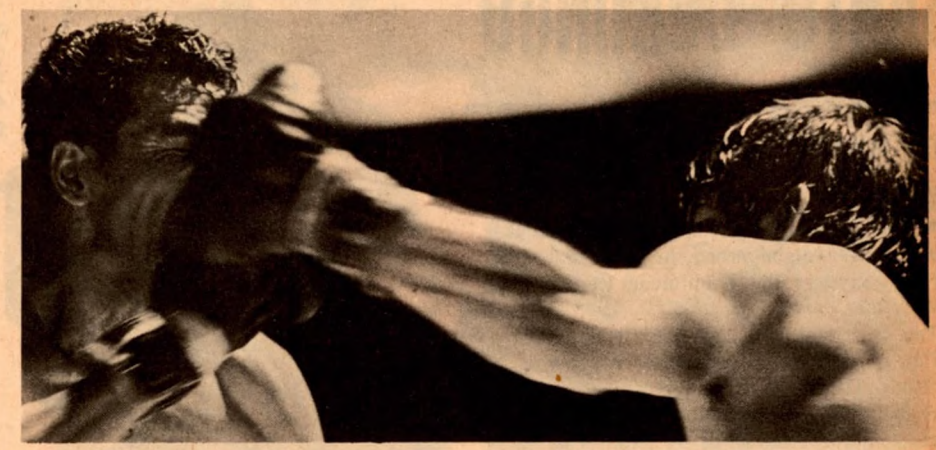
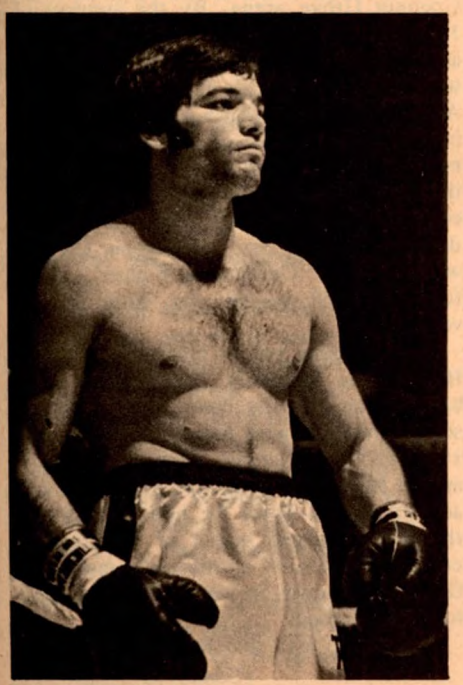




Vicente Medina gets a taste of the power in the left jab of Tony Chiaverini, the exploding young middleweight from Kansas City. Afterwards, Medina was so impressed with Tony's hard hitting that he predicted he'd go all the way to the top of the division.

Chiaverini Stirring Kansas City Fans





(Above) Chiaverini's left hook is partially blocked by Medina, but Tony landed plenty of clean punches and got the decision. (Left) Tony is the picture of confidence as he awaits the bell for round one.

By CAL FUSSMAN

WHEN a fighter from Kansas City decides to display his talents on a hometown basis, he doesn't get a chance to meet, much less see, many world rated fighters.

After all, Kansas City isn't exactly the Mecca of boxing.

In fact, if you asked a Kansas City native about boxers, he might think the vocation encompasses wrapping Christmas presents. . .instead of punching bags.

Lately, however, the city famous for stockyards, beef and butchery has been awakened by the same fists that have put opponents to sleep—those of middleweight Tony Chiaverini.

On October 6, 1976, Chiaverini knocked out Sammy NeSmith before a crowd announced at 781 in Municipal Auditorium.

At the end of January, more than 5,000 were in attendance when Chiaverini scored the most impressive victory of his career, knocking out Tony Gardner in the second round.

After the fight, Chiaverini consulted the Oklahoma native regarding a few of the world's best middleweights. Gardner has fought the division's best fighters, having been knocked out in a bid for the world junior middleweight championship by then champion Elisha Obed in his last outing.

Gardner described fighters who Chiaverini had heard of only through reading or word of mouth.

"All I hear is names," Chiaverini said. "I don't know how good anyone is, so how can I know how good I am?"

According to Peyton Sher, Chiaverini's manager, his protege is one of the United States'

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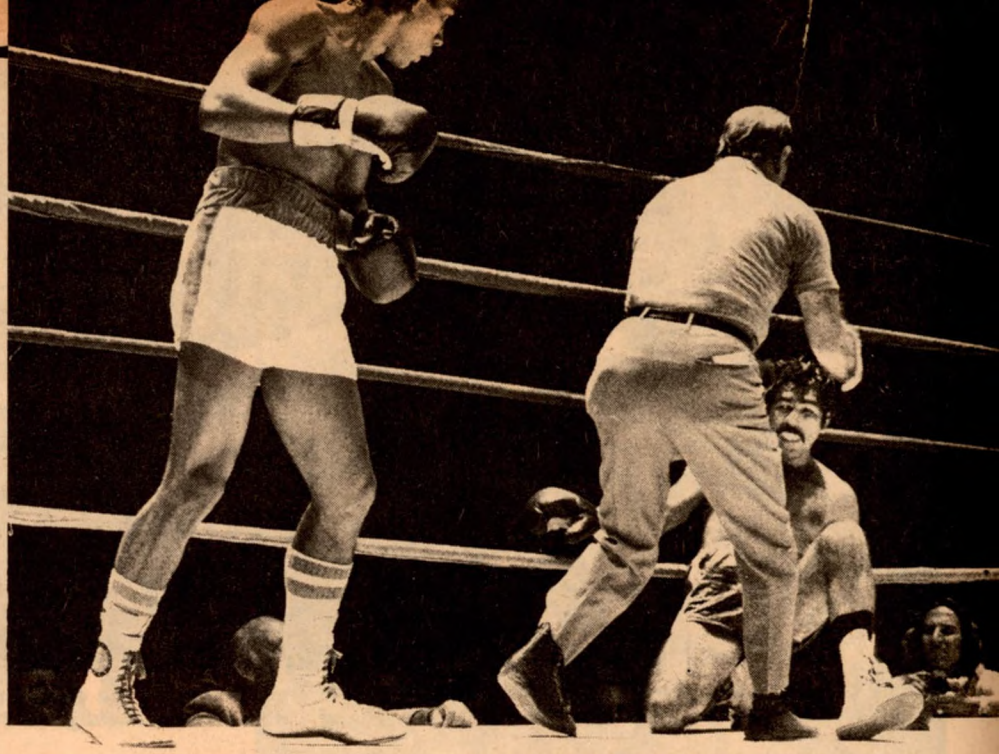
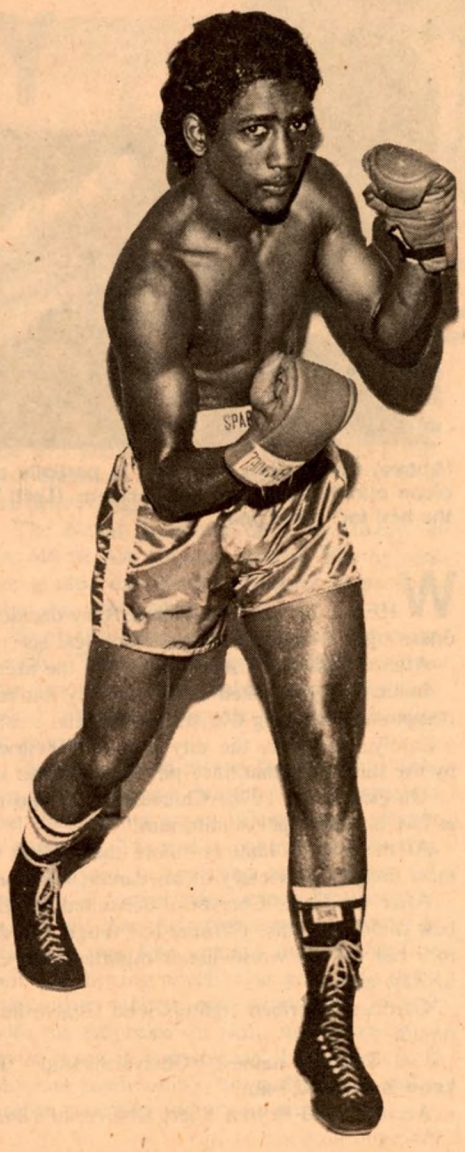
JUAN HIDALGO: DUNDEE'S NEW LIGHTWEIGHT PROTEGE FROM SANTO DOMINGO





(Left) Juan Hidalgo, Dominican Republic, poses during training session in Miami. (Above) Juan Hidalgo watches opponent Jose Alonso, of Puerto Rico, to see if he will get up from this fifth round knockdown. Alonso failed to rise, giving Juan another KO victory.

By HANK KAPLAN

SHOULD Juan Hidalgo ascend to the world lightweight throne, he will not be the first native of the Dominican Republic to wear that crown. On June 20, 1968, Carlos Teo Cruz startled sportsdom by outpointing Carlos Ortiz in a 15 round title battle at Santo Domingo. That Dominican Juan Hidalgo has set his sights on continuity of the tradition established by Cruz is as clear as the Caribbean waters which border part of his country.

The nucleus of this dream was formed a little over two years ago in Miami, Florida. The brother of Juan Hidalgo was then in the welterweight limelight as a contender for the crown. Dario Hidalgo was good enough to beat Angel Espada, former WBA champion and draw with Elisha Obed, who acquired and lost the junior middleweight title as recognized by the WBC. Busy Dario, who pleased audiences in the New York, San Juan, Miami circuit, acted the role of complete hero to his kid brother Juan, when he was speaking as a non-stop stylist. The 16 year old Juan enjoyed sharing the adulation of the crowd, and was beginning to realize that Dario's fists were not only winning fights, but bringing in the groceries as well.

As a skinny 126 pounder, Juan soon joined the City of Miami sponsored amateur boxing at the Elizabeth Virrick Gym in Coconut Grove. Juan attended the training sessions on a daily basis and heeded the advice of the old pros who act as teachers in the simon-pure program. In competition he became an overnight sensation as he incorporated his newly acquired ring tactics with his brother's buzz-saw style of fighting to win fights. His punching was crisp as he compiled an enviable record.

Before his first year as an amateur was up he found himself battling in National compeition. First he won the 1973 Florida Golden Gloves featherweight title, then he returned for more schooling bouts at the Coconut Grove arena. By the summer of 1974, he climbed to the number two spot among the U.S. amateur featherweights and was chosen as Florida's entry in the National AAU boxing championships. With a ravishing appetite, Juan ate up his first four opponents while becoming the first Miami finalist in 30 years of AAU competition. In the final contest, Juan dropped a controversial split decision to Mike Hess, of Eugene, Oregon, who won the "Outstanding Fighter" award for the second straight year, based on this vcitory.

Still reflecting on his bitter loss to Mike Hess in the Nationals, Juan's plans went back to the drawing board and set in for seriqus training with hopes of making the 1976 Olympic squad. His competition around Miami was beginning to thin out and activity slowed down for him. He became the acknowledged leader of his class as competing became increasingly more difficult. His growth in stature was too rapid for his own good.

Coinciding with this turn of events was

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Austria's "Der Tiger," Jo Pachler, Soldier and Promising Welter

Jo Pachler makes his way to the ring with determination marking his face. (Right) Unteroffizier Pachler, right, chats with Christian Sittler, Viennese fighter of the Montreal Olympics who is also embarking upon a pro career in the ring.

By JOAN F. LOUBET

FOR the first time since the retirement of ex-European champion Hans Orsolics, Australian professional boxing has a fighter of international importance. Jo "Tiger" Pachler, defeated only once, and that through an injury due to a cut, aspires to the European welterweight crown.

Twice national champion as an amateur, he turned professional in 1973, and since then has gone from victory to victory.

The Karntner farm boy from the Lavanttal has boxed predominantly in the provinces where up to 4000 spectators rally 'round to see him. This is all the more noteworthy in that Pachler is performing now as a professional and his reputaion was built as an amateur.

Among those whom the Austrian has left behind him are such classy boxers as Mongi Lahdilli, J;urgen Voss, Simon Riffoe, Henry Rhiney, Clement Tshinza and Alain Ruocco. Pachner coped with all of them with enormous "battle morale" and an unbelievable reserve of energy in his well-conditioned body. In contrast to most boxers who run down with the distance "Der Tiger," as he is called by his fans, becomes stronger from round to round.

Some say that the welterweight doesn't have too heavy a punch, but it must be recorded that 11 out of 28 opponents did not go the limit with him.

That he is strong is shown by the fact that the European Boxing Union named the Briton Henry Rhiney, whom Pachler has already beaten, as official challenger for European champion Marco Scano.

Pachler is a soldier in the Army Sport and Close Combat School where he holds the post of Unter-Offizier. There he finds sufficient opportunities to train, never going into the ring unprepared. After early morning exercises in the barracks, Pachler works out at midday in the hall and evenings in the boxing school of Schwartz-Weiss-Wien where he finds satisfactory sparring partners.

Even on weekends, when Pachler travels home to Karntner, he does not forget his training tasks. On the 400 meter high Bergbauernhof of his parents (he comes from a family of seven children) he breathes deeply the mountain air and works in the surrounding forest to help his father. He likes to ride. His second hobby is hunting.

In the ring, Pachler is a changed man. He

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At home, Pachler proudly poses with his two-year-old daughter, Carmen, and his wife, Elisabeth.

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WORLD RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

MUHAMMAD ALI ..... Chicago, Ill.
1—JIMMY YOUNG ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
2—GEORGE FOREMAN ..... Marshall, Texas
3—KEN NORTON ..... San Diego, Calif.
4—LARRY HOLMES ..... Easton, Pa.
5—DUANE BOBICK ..... Bowlus, Minn.
6—RON LYLE ..... Denver, Colo.
7—EARNIE SHAVERS ..... Warren, Ohio
8—HOWARD SMITH ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
9—JOHNNY BOUDREAUX ..... Houston, Texas
10—STAN WARD ..... Sacramento, Calif.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1—VICTOR GALINDEZ* ..... Argentina
2—JOHN CONTEH** ..... England
3—RICHIE KATES ..... Brighton, N.J.
4—JESSE BURNETT ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
5—LEN HUTCHINS ..... Detroit, Mich.
6—BOBBY CASSIDY ..... Brentwood, L.I., N.Y.
7—VONZELL JOHNSON ..... Kalamazoo, Mich.
8—ALVARO LOPEZ ..... Stockton, Calif.
9—MIGUEL CUELLO ..... Argentina
10—MIKE ROSSMAN ..... Turnesville, N.J.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

CARLOS MONZON ..... Argentina
1—MIKE COLBERT ..... Portland, Ore.
2—RODRIGO VALDES ..... Colombia
3—DAVID LOVE ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
4—BENNIE BRISCOE ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
5—VITO ANTUOFERMO ..... Italy
6—RON HARRIS ..... Akron, Ohio
7—ALAN MINTER ..... England
8—BOBBY WATTS ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
9—CASEY GACIC ..... Cleveland
10—ROCKY MOSLEY JR. ..... Las Vegas, Nev.

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 154 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

EDDIE GAZO* ..... Nicaragua
1—ECKHARD DAGGE** ..... Germany
2—MAURICE HOPE ..... England
3—ELISHA OBED ..... Nassau, Bahamas
4—MIGUEL ANGEL CASTELLINI ..... Argentina
5—JOSE DURAN ..... Spain
6—FRANK WISSENBACH ..... Germany
7—ALVIN ANDERSON ..... Baltimore, Md.
8—JOEL BONNETAZ ..... France
9—MIGUEL CAMPANINO ..... Argentina
10—KOICHI WAJIMA ..... Japan

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

CARLOS PALOMINO** ..... Mexico
1—PETE RANZANY ..... Sacramento, Calif.
2—JOSE CUEVAS* ..... Mexico
3—ARMANDO MUNIZ ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
4—CLYDE GRAY ..... Canada
5—JOHN STRACEY ..... England
6—RANDY SHIELDS ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
7—JOHNNY GANT ..... Washington, D.C.
8—HAROLD WESTON ..... New York, N.Y.
9—FLOYD MAYWEATHER ..... Detroit, Mich.
10—GUERRO CHAVEZ ..... Canada

W.B.C. junior welter king Shengsak Muangsurin retained his crown with a sixth round knockout over Japan's Guts Ishimatsu in Tokyo, Japan.

Ruben Castillo. number four ranked featherweight, outpointed New York's Walter Seeley the number three rated junior lightweight, over ten rounds.

Heavyweight Leroy Jones beat tough Dino Dennis in eight rounds at San Antonio, Texas.

Junior welter Saoul Mamby outpointed Mike Everett of Philadelphia over ten hard rounds also in San Antonio. Everett was also kayoed by Miguel Montilla, one round.

Top ranked middleweight Mike Colbert, Portland, Oregon, was hard pressed to win a ten round split duke over formerly undefeated Rocky Mosley, Jr., Las Vegas.

Coming out of years of being just another boxer, Cincinnati's Roy Dale, a middleweight, beat New Zealand's world ranked Monty Betham can no longer make the Jr. middle limit.

Champions: *WBA **WBC †U.S.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

WILFREDO BENITEZ* ..... Puerto Rico
1—SHENGSAK MUANGSURIN** ..... Thailand
2—ANTONIO CERVANTES ..... Colombia
3—DAVID GREEN ..... England
4—HECTOR THOMPSON ..... Australia
5—RUDY HERNANDEZ ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
6—SAOUL MAMBY ..... New York, N.Y.
7—MONROE BROOKS ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
8—NICOLINO LOCHE ..... Argentina
9—MIGUEL MONTILLA ..... Dominican Rep.
10—TONY PETRONELLI, ... Brockton, Mass.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

ROBERTO DURAN* ..... Panama
1—ESTEBAN DeJESUS** ..... Puerto Rico
2—EDWIN VIRUET ..... Puerto Rico
3—VICENTE SALDIVAR ..... Mexico
4—VILOMAR FERNANDEZ ..... Dominican Rep.
5—PERICO FERNANDEZ ..... Spain
6—HECTOR MEDINA ..... Dominican Rep.
7—JOSUE MARQUEZ ..... Puerto Rico
8—HUGO BARRAZA ..... Colombia
9—GIANCARLO USAI ..... Italy
10—FERNAND ROELANDS ..... Belgium

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

SAMUEL SERRANO* ..... Puerto Rico
1—ALFREDO ESCALERA** ..... Puerto Rico
2—TYRONE EVERETT ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
3—WALTER SEELEY ..... Sayville, L.I., N.Y.
4—RAFAEL LIMON ..... Mexico
5—BEN VILLAFLOR ..... Philippines
6—APOLLO YOSHIO ..... Japan
7—BLAKENEY MATTHEWS ..... South Africa
8—EZEQUIEL SANCHEZ ..... Dominican Rep.
9—ROY HERNANDEZ, ... Corpus Christi, Texas
10—SIGFREDO RODRIGUEZ ..... Mexico

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

ALEXIS ARGUELLO ..... Nicaragua
1—DANNY LOPEZ** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
2—YUM DONG-KYUN ..... South Korea
3—LIONEL HERNANDEZ ..... Venezuela
4—REUBEN CASTILLO ..... Bakersfield, Calif.
5—EDER JOFRE ..... Brazil
6—JOSE CERVANTES ..... Colombia
7—PEDRO JIMINEZ ..... Spain
8—DAVID KOTEY POISON ..... Ghana
9—RAFAEL ORTEGA* ..... Panama
10—MIKE AYALA ..... San Antonio, Texas

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

ALFONSO ZAMORA* ..... Mexico
1—CARLOS ZARATE** ..... Mexico
2—WILFREDO GOMEZ ..... Puerto Rico
3—RAUL TIRADA ..... Mexico
4—EUSEBIO PEDROZA ..... Panama
5—FRANK DUARTE ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
6—ROBERT RUVALDINO ..... Mexico
7—SEAN O'GRADY ..... Oklahoma City, Okla.
8—PADDY MAGUIRE ..... Ireland
9—FRANCO ZURLO ..... Italy
10—SULLY SHITTU ..... Ghana

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

MIGUEL CANTO** ..... Mexico
1—GUTTY ESPADAS* ..... Mexico
2—YOKO GUSHIKEN ..... Japan
3—LUIS ESTABE ..... Venezuela
4—JORGE LUJAN ..... Panama
5—JUAN GUSMAN ..... Dominican Rep.
6—ALFONSO LOPEZ ..... Panama
7—BETULIO GONZALEZ ..... Venezuela
8—JUAN ALVAREZ ..... Mexico
9—WILLIE JANSEN† ..... Las Vegas
10—PATRICK MAMBRWE ..... Zambia

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

NAMES	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Issac Hussein Englan	5/75	11	10	1	0	4
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT						
Andros Ernie Barr Andros, Bahamas Islands	3/76	8	7	1	0	4
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Tony McMinn Topeka, Kansas	5/76	13	11	2	0	10
WELTERWEIGHT						
Ruben Lopez Warminster, Pa.	7/75	8	8	0	0	4

NAME	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Jose Talamantez San Jose, Calif.	8/75	12	11	0	1	8
FEATHERWEIGHT,						
Manuel Castellanos Los Angeles, Calif.	4/76	9	7	1	1	3
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Oscar Muniz Los Angeles, Calif.	8/76	5	4	1	0	2
FLYWEIGHT						
Emilio Pireddu Italy	1/70	24	18	4	2	5

EARNIE SHAVERS
FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

Ohio's Earnie Shavers won this month's honors with a second round kayo over Los Angeles' Howard Smith in their heavyweight bout held in Las Vegas, Nevada. Shavers now moves into Smith's spot in the heavyweight rankings, from tenth to seventh.

Runners-up for the month: Ron Harris, Akron, Ohio; David Green, England; Dave Love, Los Angeles; Shengsak Muangsurin, Thailand; Bakersfield, California's Ruben Castillo; Leroy Jones, Denver; Saoul Mamby, New York; Portland, Oregon's Mike Colbert; and Cincinnati's Roy Dale.

Ron Harris moved in the top ten for the first time in his undefeated career with a major upset over England's Alan Minter. Southpaw Harris moved right into the sixth spot in the world rankings.

David Green moved up from his junior welterweight division to welter, with a kayo over former Golden Boy John Stracey.

Los Angeles David Love made people take notice as he kayoed Philadelphia's Bobby Watts, middleweights.

(Below) Middleweight Roxell "Rocky" Mosley, Jr., currently holds the Nevada State Jr. Middleweight Title, and hopes to win the U.S. Tournament and world versions of the middleweight title. (Above) Rocky with trainer-manager Stan Tischler.

Middleweight Rocky Mosley Aims for Triple Crown

By JIM HUNTER

LISTEN to him talk of capturing the "triple crown" and you assume he's referring to either baseball or horse racing, but Roxell "Rocky" Mosley, Jr., is focusing on another sport—boxing.

"I want the Nevada State championship, I want to win the United States tournament and then I want to be world champion," says Mosley. "That's the 'triple crown.' "

And the 19-year-old from Las Vegas is one-third of the way there.

On February 21, Mosley grabbed the first "gem" on his "triple crown" by winning the Nevada State Junior Middleweight Championship. Next on his agenda is the middleweight title U.S. Championship Tournament. And then? Perhaps Carlos Monzon should pay attention to this smooth-moving youngster from the land of glitter and gambling.

At the time of this writing, Mosley's ring performances have kept pace with his ambitions. On March 6 he scored a mild upset by stopping veteran Johnny Baldwin by technical knockout in his first fight in the U.S. tournament.

"I didn't have any doubts," says Mosley. "I knew I was going to win. I feel great. Nothing is going to stop me."

At least Baldwin isn't going to thwart the undefeated Mosley. The hottest item named Rocky, next to Sylvester Stallone, Mosley upped his record to 16-0 and recorded his 10th knockout by stopping Baldwin at 2:30 of the fourth round at Don King's self-proclaimed alma mater, the Marion (Ohio) Correctional Institution. But before a right hand dropped Baldwin and combinations prompted referee Larry Barrett to stop it, Mosley had to pick himself off the deck for only the second time in his career.

"When you're gonna be champion, you gotta get up," said Mosley about being dumped by a left hook to the jaw in the third round.

These days, Mosley's conversation tends to include words like "champion" and "title." He's a young man in a hurry to go all the way, but still one who's patient enough to realize that he won't make it to the top overnight.

"I've got the Nevada State title, now I'll win the tournament," he says. "Then my goal is the world championship. Once I get that, I'll have reached the mountaintop.

"I'm not rushing it, though. I know I have to get more seasoning. This tournament just gives me the opportunity a little sooner. This way, things are just speeded up a bit."

Things have been moving at a fast pace for Mosley, regardless of how far he goes in the tournament. He turned pro less than two years ago, but under trainer-manager Stan Tischler and financial backer Benny Bennett, he's already in high gear.

He first established himself as more than just a pair of nimble legs and fast hands on March 5, 1976, when he coasted to a

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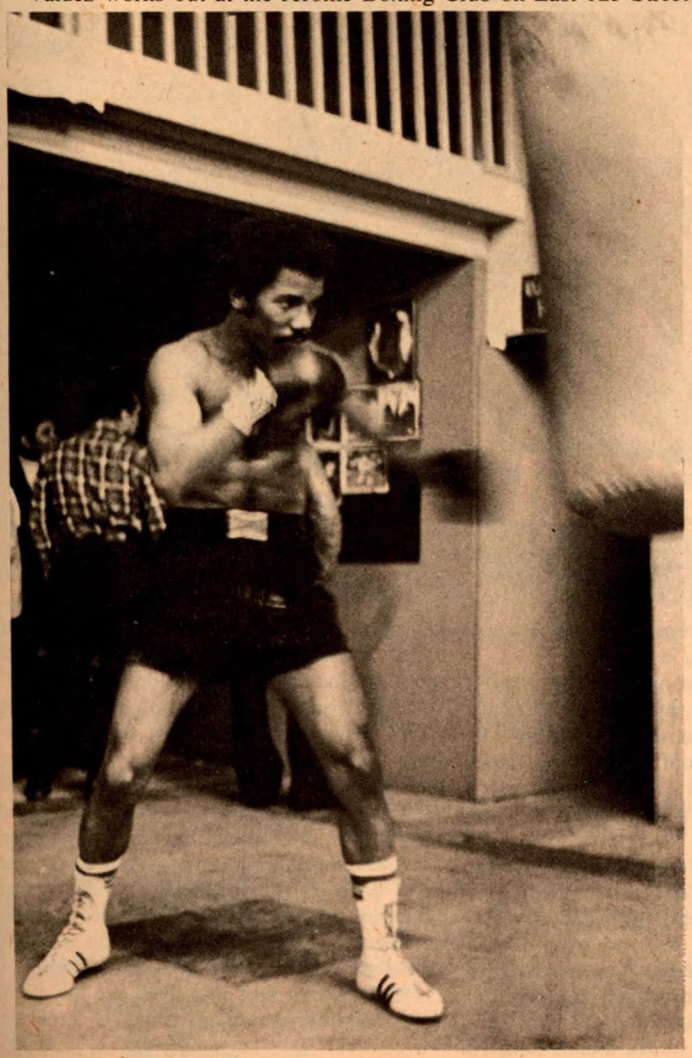
JULIO VALDEZ: NOT IN PINSTRIPES, BUT A YANKEE CHAMP?

By SHANNON O'CORK

BILLY Martin, head coach of the New York Yankees, is after a championship—the junior lightweight championship, that is. Yup. He's just bought himself a piece of a fighter: a smiling dangerous right-handed hitter.

Julio "Diablito" Valdez doesn't slug a good one up into the left field stands, but he's banged seven opponents hard enough to deck them and they have stayed down or had to have the referee stop it right there. Julio is 5 feet 8 inches, 130 pounds of grade-A muscle with a lifetime record of 17-0-1, he's only twenty-four, and he's after the belt of Alfredo Escalera, the current WBC junior lightweight champ.

Valdez works out at the Jerome Boxing Club on East 125 Street and Third under the seasoned eye of trainer Nelson Quevas.



Quevas owns the Jerome. And he is investing a lot of his present in the future of Julio Valdez. The other major investor is Luis Morales, public relations ace for the New York Yankees. And yes, it was because of Morales' enthusiasm over this fighter that Billy Martin (no slouch of a fighter himself) took a look, liked Valdez' punching, and bought in.

Julio Diablito Valdez was born in the Dominican Republic. He's been in the States for four years and he still doesn't speak English very well, but Valdez believes that the only thing stopping him from the championship is not having the champ, Alfredo Escalera, across the canvas in the opposite corner. Trainer Nelson Quevas translates: "You don't need English to fight. I'm ready for Escalera today. Today, you make a fight, Today, I'll be the champ."

Quevas agrees. "He's got no weakness. He's in condition. He's ready right now."

Luis Morales is more cautious. "We're ready for anybody his weight, but what we need now is more exposure for the people to get to know him. It's been tough to get him fights. A lot of guys don't want to fight him. We've been giving weight to get fights, fighting guys four-five pounds heavier. That's not good."

Valdez just grins at that. He smiles at most things. He's not afraid. He's waiting for his shot. With Billy Martin in his corner, he thinks he'll get it.

So you watch him work. He smiles nicely and he moves easily. He is usually smiling and moving, circling and grinning. Flick, jab, and dance. Stick and move. Fast in with the left. Bip bip bip. Sting, smile, and he's gone. In again. Bip bip bip. In superb condition. Just a light easy sweat. Loose. He can slip and hit, hurt an opponent, build up points, go for the big single punch once he's got body soft. A flurry, a combination, dance and wait. Step in. Bip bip bip. Smile. Win. . . .He's never lost.

Every day Julio pounds the heavy bag. He doesn't practice with the light bag. "What for?" asks his trainer. "The light bag, it's for fast hands. Julio already has the fastest hands."

"Sometimes," Quevas goes on, "A fighter doesn't look so good when he fight. That's because he's not in condition. Julio, he's always in condition. Always lookin' good. And he listens. He does things right. Six AM. Six miles. Running around Yankee Stadium, running in the park. Every day. He has the right disposition. He'll be a champ."

Morales agrees. "He'll be running around the Stadium, and he knows I work in there. So he'll come in and see me, let me know he's working, running. Doing his six, seven miles."

Lisa Valdez, a tiny Sophia Loren, says she likes to watch her man fight. "He looks so good." Does she worry, have fear? "No," she says, "Julio's never been hurt. Julio always wins."

Valdez' last fight at the time of this writing was at Sunnyside Gardens in Queens, where he went ten rounds against a tough kid from Brooklyn named James "Spud" Brackett. Unanimous deci-

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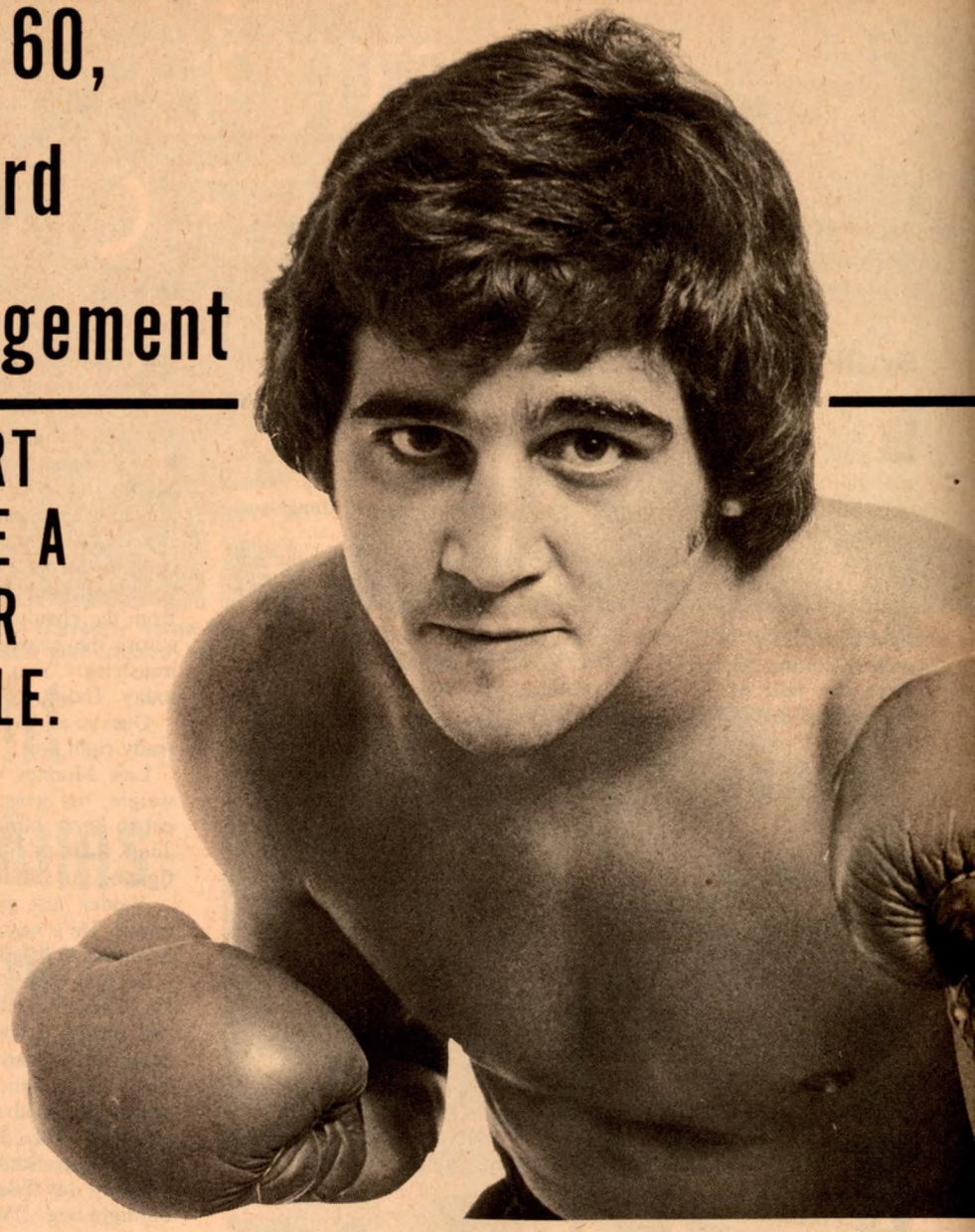
Junior lightweight Julio "Diablito" Valdez hammers away at a heavy bag. Originally from the Dominican Republic, Valdez works out in New York and feels he's ready for a shot at WBC champ Alfredo Escalera. Photo By Shane.

Mike Nixon, 160, Pushes Upward Under New Management

NIXON'S KO OF GERT STEYN MAKES MIKE A STRONG CONTENDER FOR MONZON'S TITLE.



By JESS HERNANDEZ

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA — How important is a fight manager to the pugilistic ambitions of today's ringmen? Does a manager make the fighter or does the rising pugnacious glove belter make the manager? A classic point in retrospect is the boxing career of middleweight Mike Nixon of Glendale, California. 27-year-old Mike is sometimes better known as the brother-in-law of Jerry and Mike Quarry, yet the tigerish Nixon has developed into a pretty good middleweight contender. Nixon's sudden rejuvenation into the middleweight ranks can be attributed to manager Ralph Gambina, who took over the managerial reins about a year ago. Since Gambina's acquisition, Mike's ring ledger has shot upward. Nixon's strong showing in whipping Gert Steyn with a resounding kayo victory inside South Africa definitely makes him a strong contender for a world middleweight title shot.

Before the arrival of Gambina into the Nixon camp, Mike's career appeared in jeopardy. Mike's professional invasion was anything but auspicious on April 3, 1972, when he suffered a TKO loss to Art Davis at the Inglewood Forum. However, on December 2, 1972, under the managerial hands of veteran Mel Epstein, Nixon rebounded to win a 10 round decision over Johnny Sharpe in the Anaheim Stadium. Mike posted strong wins over Alfonso Gonzales, Jose Martin Flores, Tony Berrios, Vicente Medina and Manuel Fierro.

On December 6, 1974, in San Diego, California, Nixon was involved in a weird no-decision brawl with David Love. Then, on February 11, 1975, Mike suffered his first defeat in eight outings at the hands of classy Sugar Ray Seales in Seattle.

Nixon's career went into a momentary tailspin in two brutal ring wars with cagey New Yorker Mike Rossman. On May 19, 1975, Mike pounded out a close 10 round win, but on August 1, Rossman scored a surprise kayo triumph in seven rounds in Las Vegas.

Following the two Rossman fights, it was apparent that Mike's career was stalemated, so manager Mel Epstein unloaded his 160 pound blockbuster to veteran pilot Ralph Gambina. Gambina recently celebrated fifty years in boxing and managed former title contenders Jimmy McDaniels, Cisco Andrade and heavyweight Willie Bean. Nixon's first bout under the Gambina banner took place on March 10, 1976, in Las Vegas, where Mike punched out a 10 round verdict over Mike Avans. Mike impressed many fistic railbirds on April Fool's Day last year when he knocked out Abel Cordova in four rounds at the Olympic Auditorium.

"The biggest robbery in my managing career came in Mike's fight with Rico Dineros last year," said Gambina." My fighter won just about every round and they called the bout a draw. I guess the only way to win a fight here is to knock the other guy flat on his back." Gambina was so upset by the draw decision he sought to have the verdict reversed, but his protest fell on deaf ears. As for Mike's future in boxing, Ralph is highly elated with the ex-New York-born Nixon.

"Despite the fact that there are too many world boxing champions today, I think the

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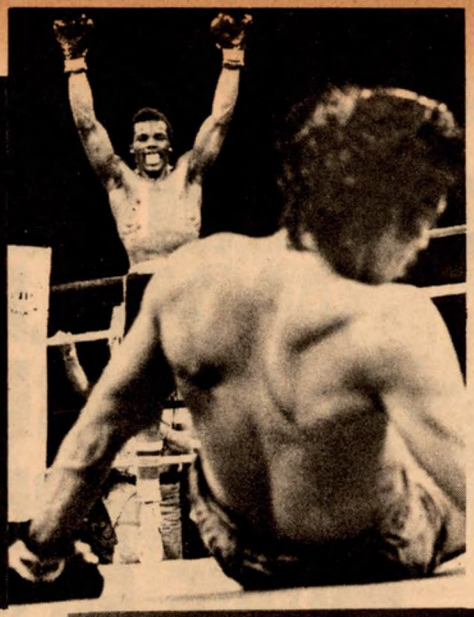
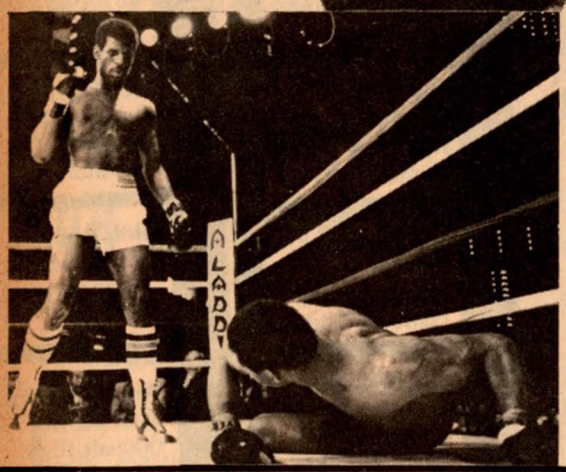
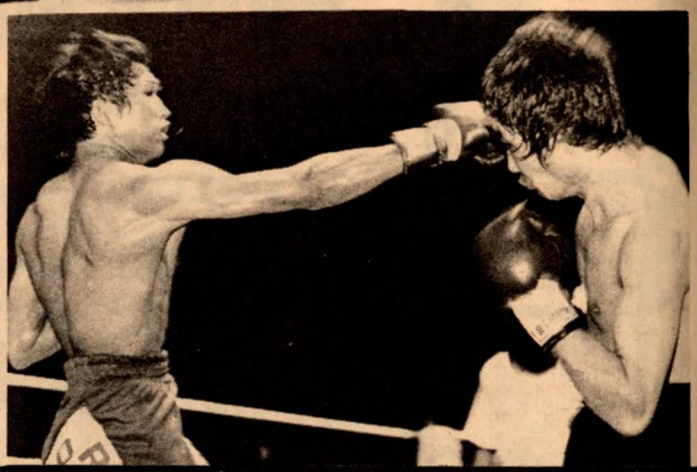


(Left) Gary Guiden cheers as Nick Ortiz is counted out in round seven of the Kansas City middleweight bout. (Below) Ric Quijano, Philippines, left, retained his Orient Jr. feather title with a 12 round split decision against Chung Soon Hyun, Korea.



(Above left) Heavyweight Ibar Arrington, left, TKO'd Randy Neuman, right, in round four of their Jersey City fight. (Left) Mike Spinks made a successful pro debut with a first round KO over Eddie Benson in Las Vegas.



Sam Singer Dies at 56

THE April 14 card at the Expo Center in Portland, Oregon, was dedicated to boxing promoter Sam Singer, and that's how it should have been.

Sam, at the age of 56, died on April 3rd of a heart attack at his Lake Oswego home. His reputation was that he kept boxing going in Portland through lean years and fat, and while a certain amount of controversy surrounded his name, such as his conflicts with Mike Morton, he always, as Andy Kendall said, "tried to come in with the best fights for the people."

Kendall, who first fought on Singer's programs in Portland in 1968 and later became #1 ranked light heavyweight in the world, gave Singer his just due. Sam wasn't only a promoter who put on good prize fights.

"He was a great humanitarian," was the tribute paid to him by Nick Sckavone, chairman of the Portland Municipal Boxing and Wrestling Commission. The simple statement does not list the quiet sort of philanthropy which characterized Sam. Interested in amateur boxing most of his life, he helped countless youngsters gain a foot up with involvement in the Golden Gloves, countless family men, ex-boxers down on their luck, with personal financial assistance.

He grew up during the depression in Portland and that may well have contributed to the molding of his character.

During World War II he flew missions over France until he was shot down. It is said that he broke his leg when he bailed out, and when he was found by some friendly Frenchmen and hidden from the Germans in a haystack, he had made five miles on that broken leg. Despite near capture, he decided not to take off the ring bearing the Star of David which his father had given him.

He was given a promoter's license by the Portland Boxing and Wrestling Commission in in 1965, and in 1966 he joined Morrie Gilbert and Vic Harris to form Three Star Sports.

Abe Tanzman, long associated with Singer, will be taking over where Sam left off.

Sam, president of Portland Electric and Plumbing, was partial to distributing enormous cigars with wrappers advertising the company from behind a smoke screen of his own.

Singer is survived by his wife, Rita; his son, Gene; sisters Frieda Singer, Bessie Salmenson, Minnie Singer, and Ida Saperstein, all of Portland; and a brother, Dr. Isadore M. Singer of San Francisco.

There were Jews and Arabs, Orientals and Scandinavians at Sam's funeral. If a few blinked, it may have been for the loss of a friend; or it may have been from an imagined blue haze of smoke that still lingered.

Boxing in the Maccabiah Games

By HANK KAPLAN

The 1926 Cologne Maccabiah Boxing Team included, from left to right: Trainer Ludwig Neeke, paperweight Leo Fogelfang, flyweight Bernard Schindler, bantamweight Joseph Statdlander, featherweight Oscar Weiss, lightweight Hyman Buchbaum, welterweight Max Benedict, middleweight Herman Buchbaum, light heavyweight Jonas Kessler, heavyweight Alez Benedict, and Assistant Trainer Kahn.

ON July 12, 1977, a unique sports Olympiad will open ceremonies in the Ramat Gan Stadium in Tel-Aviv, Israel ushering in the Tenth Maccabiah Games and keynoting the start of athletic events on the following day, July 13th, 1977. In the 45 year history of the sports festival, boxing has been a prominent event, gaining in stature with each series of games.

The Games, which are held every four years, in the year following the Olympics, is organized in full cooperation with the International Sports Federations. Boxing in the Maccabiah Games is unlike any other boxing tourney. Constituents are of the jewish faith from all corners of the earth using their fists and wit against each other.

Though the World Maccabiah Games officially started in 1932, the Maccabiah movement had its beginning before the turn of the century in Europe. Notable athletic events leading to the creation of the Maccabi World Union at Carlsbad took place in 1924. During the next decade, Maccabiah teams mushroomed in Europe. Germany had Maccabiah boxing teams in Berlin and Cologne with intense competition reigning between both cities. Leo Fogelfang, well known as a body conditioner of stage and movie stars at the Carillon Hotel on Miami Beach, was a member of the Cologne Boxing Team. His emotions are stirred when he speaks of team battles his club participated in, mostly in environs of Cologne.

Old Maccabiah photos adorn the walls of his Health Spa. "That's history," he says repeatedly. Out of his memory-box he tells of his early Maccabiah boxing team. "I was the paperweight champion from 1924 to 1926; my division today would be comparable to the Junior Flyweight division. Later, I became a full grown welterweight. Ludwig Neeke, one of the early trainers of Max Schmeling, was the trainer of our team in Cologne. This was in 1926. We engaged in frequent tourneys with the community boxing clubs until political events of the late twenties curtailed activities, then we limited our team matches against other Maccabiah clubs." For Leo Fogelfang, Maccabiah boxing was a long cherished part of his life.

As the games opened on a world-wide basis in 1932, boxing seemed to lag behind the other sports activities. In the United States during this era, professional boxers of the Hebrew faith were among the world ranked and the urban landscapes were flooded with excellent amateurs as well. However, the selection committees were hampered by fund shortages which found Maccabiah boxers in short supply. In 1932, the U.S. excelled in track and field while Poland and Egypt ran away with the boxing medals.

The dearth of boxing talent for U.S. teams continued until the 1961 games. A lot of leather went moldy that year when the U.S. sent a celebrated referee, Cy Gottfried, but no boxing team. Even the British that year were forced to advertise for boxers to represent England. For countries once so rich in jewish boxing talent this void was puzzling. After the 1961 games, the boxing teams of the U.S. began to upgrade and showed better organization, mainly due to the efforts of Maccabiah proponents like Dr. Ben Becker, Dr. Max Novich, Col. Phil Cohen and Cy Gottfried. In 1973, the U.S. team peaked out, bringing home a medal for each member of the boxing team, a first in Maccabiah history. Dr. Ben Becker, team coach and Cy Gottfried, Assistant Coach and Manager of the 1973 boxing team were rewarded in gratification for setting a new record for the United States.

It was not the purpose of the Maccabiah founders for these kids to approach the abilities of Oakland Jimmy Duffy, Willie Harmon, Willie Jackson, Young O'Leary, Leach Cross, Frankie Callahan or Eddie O'Keefe to name a handful of Jewish kids who chased a prize in the roped square with their celtic pseudonyms. Neither did they expect to add to the nearly thirty world crownbearers produced by Hebrew mitt-slingers. "This is not the objective of Maccabiah activity," the esteemed Dr. Max Novich points out.

Dr. Max Novich, a diplomat of the American Board of Orthopedic Surgery, Chairman of the Department of Sports Medicine at United Hospitals Orthopedic Center, Newark and Director of Sports Medicine at the College of Medicine and Dentistry in Newark, is one of the Maccabiah Games leading activists. He has credentials in sports medicine and amateur boxing like an endless thread. He preaches the benefits which the sport yields and is a viable example of contribution as he perennially gives of himself to the ring-sport. Novich maintains, "You must have growth and development of not just the soul but also the mind and body. So many young people are inept physically its just unbelievable. A boy who has been trained to use his fists has a confidence that is so obvious no fights take place." Hitting the critics of boxing, Novich explains, "In amateur boxing, the emphasis is on skill and points rather than knockouts. Even when knockouts occur, however, clinical recovery takes from a few seconds to perhaps a minute or two. The most serious consequence is usually a damaged ego."

Supporting the tenets of Dr. Novich are the principals of the 1973 U.S. Boxing Team. The four years which have elapsed since the last games have spurred them on to greater athletic or career achievement. Participation in the games proved an elixir to their development as men and as assets to their respective communities.

It is unfortunate that space does not allow for greater detail, because each of the men on that team are worthy of individual mention.

One of the back-scene people of recent Maccabiah history is Cy Gottfried, a respected veteran of the boxing business. As a kid, raised in a neighborhood which was prolific in the production of good fighters,

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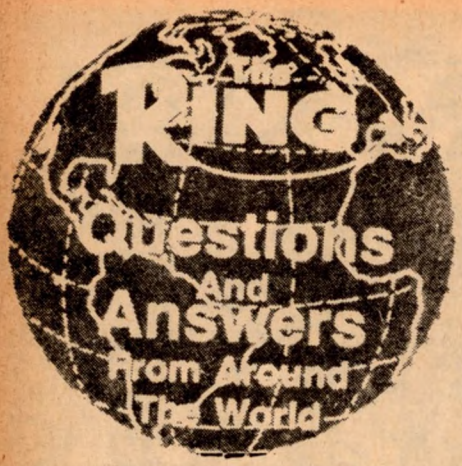

Q. I have two questions for you: First, Are there any films of Harry Greb available? Second, who do you think might have been the winner between Greb and Ketchel?

Richard Vertucci
Chicago Heights, Illinois

A. Jim Jacobs, the world's leading authority on fight films, tells us that Harry Greb vs. Tiger Flowers is preserved on film. As to a mythical Greb vs. Ketchel confrontation, Nat Loubet believes Ketchel would have taken Greb in a long, hard, slam-bang fight.

Q. I received a gift of a couple of pairs of boxing gloves, and I'm wondering if there is something that I could use to soften the leather and also to preserve the gloves for a long time. Incidentally, the gloves were purchased through an ad in THE RING, and I want to tell you that the service was great.

Matt Alfieri
Tappan, New York

A. Best things for softening, conditioning and preserving the leather are Neatsfoot oil (which will darken the leather) or saddle soap (which may lighten it). Such treatment might cause any printing on the gloves to smear.

Q. I would like to know where I can get a set of those little boxing gloves that you can hang up on a car mirror.

Joseph Granillo
Ovid, Colorado

A. We checked with several of the biggest dealers in sporting goods, particularly boxing equipment, and they all said they didn't think these gloves were being made any more. Maybe one of our readers has a suggestion.

Q. I was wondering if two-time Olympic boxing champion Teofilo Stevenson would give Muhammad Ali a hard time or not. Who would win?

John Romankewiz
Lansing, Michigan

A. Judging from what we've seen of Stevenson, it would be a mismatch. Stevenson is not ready for that kind of company.

Q. What can you tell me about a fighter named Joe Pennino? He's about 50 years old now. I think he was a middleweight. Did he ever fight any contenders?

John P. Mec
Brooklyn, New York

A. Joe Pennino was a welterweight who was considered a good club fighter in the late thirties. He had over 75 fights, winning over 60, with five draws. He fought a lot of good ones: Fritzie Zivic and Pedro Montanez are the best known. Some other opponents were Paulie Walker, Saverio Turiello, Bobby Pacho and Jackie Davis. Joe is an uncle of Al Pennino, who boxed as a featherweight in the late forties and early fifties. Both Joe and Al were Brooklyn boys.

Q. What is the story on Floyd Patterson? Has he retired or not? In my opinion, Floyd can still beat the top ranked heavyweights today. He is a physical marvel, and there is a magnetism when Floyd climbs through the ropes that is not present except when Ali fights.

M. O'Brien
New York City

A. Patterson has not fought since September 20, 1972, and it has been apparent for some time that even though he has never officially announced his retirement, his fighting days are over. He is now a member of the State Athletic Commission in New York, and is heavily involved with amateur boxing. He also has helped with the training of the Ghanian boxer, "King" George Aidoo.

Q. What advantages are there to using protective head guards concerning injuries?

M. Davis
Hartford, Connecticut

A. The chief purpose of the head guards is to reduce the danger of cuts during sparring sessions. Some fighters don't like to use them; they'd rather take their chances. Guys like these are one of the reasons fight promoters get ulcers.

Q. When Muhammad Ali first won the heavyweight championship in 1964 against Sonny Liston, what ranking did he have according to THE RING ratings?

Bob Allison
Lincroft, New Jersey

A. Ali was rated the number one contender.

Q. I would like to know about the shortest KO. About September of 1927 at the Casino AC in Lynn, Massachusetts, I stopped Kayo Liberty in twelve seconds.

Manuel J. Canto
New Bedford, Mass.

A. That's quick, all right, but there have been quicker ones. The record probably belongs to Al Carr (Alfred Tramantano) of New Haven, Connecticut, who stopped Lew Massey, of Norwalk, with one punch on April 3, 1936. The result was listed as a ten-second KO, but the bout actually was stopped in seven seconds as Massey lay on the canvas. There was a ten-second KO in Wales on September 2, 1957, Red Roberts, a Nigerian welterweight, being halted by Teddy Barker of Swindon, England. And there have been numerous eleven-second knockouts.

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EMILE THE GREATEST

I am writing this after reading a report about Emile Griffith outpointing Christy Elliott the day before his 39th birthday, in the Madison Square Garden.

This man Griffith has got to be one of boxing's all-the-greats, winner of a world title at two weights, and at 39, still winning more than he loses. And still fit, strong and brave enough to go 15 hard rounds with a world champion 10 years his junior, Eckard Dagge.

To me Emile is what boxing is all about; a dedicated, modest, skillful athlete, who is also tough enough to have lasted 19 years in one of the world's most demanding sports—professional boxing. A credit to boxing and the human race, living proof that nice guys do win.

Fred Spence
Birmingham, England

MONTREAL IDEAL SITE

Gerry Grundman, promoter of boxing at the Montreal Forum, recently entered a bid to stage the world's lightweight boxing championship between Roberto Duran, and Esteban DeJesus. This bid was presented to Don King.

I think that the Montreal Forum would be an ideal site for this showdown. More people are interested in boxing in Montreal than would be expected. At one time, the main ring sport was wrestling, and boxing bouts used to be staged at the Paul Sauvé Arena. Now things have switched around, and Grundman recently put on a successful card at the larger Forum.

A lot of people turned in to watch Roberto Duran tackle Vilomar Fernandez on television. A lot of interest has now been centered around the lightweight division, and I think that Canada's largest city, Montreal, would be an ideal site.

Name withheld
Montreal, Canada

BY GEORGE YOU'RE OK

After you lost to Jimmy Young on March 17, I really felt terrible. You had worked so hard to get back into title contention. But, don't give up! You will win that title back. Remember Ali, he was beaten by Frazier, and on his comeback he was beaten by Norton (unknown at the time). But he still won the title.

Boxing fans are so fickle. When you were champion you had so many fans, now that you are ex-champ, win or lose, I want you to know you're still my main man.

Sincerely yours,
Tom Weber

FOREMAN TOO ROUGH?

How can you allow a top contender to fight like George Foreman did? I know that boxing is still in debt, but letting people see Foreman manhandle Young like he did is terrible, and nothing is done by you. If I had any power I'd put Foreman on a six month probation and a fine.

Victor S. Velasquez
Tacoma, Wash.

EDITOR NOTE: The fight was run under the control of the Puerto Rican Boxing Commission.

WHY NO NATIONAL COMMISSION?

I congratulate you on your efforts in the box-off shown by ABC. I would like to know, however, why there is no one central agency with a commissioner like in baseball or football to regulate boxing. I feel this would be a giant step forward for boxing. It would help keep the hoods out who almost destroyed boxing, and judges would be like referees or umpires in other sports who are professionals and must pass exams and work their way up.

I enjoy your publication and love to watch good boxing. I hope the TV networks continue to televise a lot of matches and we get a chance to watch some of the young fighters and unknown older fighters you write about in THE RING.

Johnny T. Carroll
Gilbert, La.

BOXING DOWN UNDER DYING?

I would like to put forward an opinion that boxing in Australia is dying. There are too many boxers claiming to be champs in each of the divisions. The matchmakers at Melbourne's Festival Hall are loosing money on fights. Thanks to Hector Thompson and other Australian and Commonwealth Boxing Champs, boxing in Sydney and Brisbane is going well.

I hope THE RING magazine keeps printing the Ray Mitchell articles on Aussie Boxing, because the Melbourne Newspapers have just about dropped boxing.

Martin Chellen
Melbourne, Australia

PENDER NOT ONE OF THE BEST

In reply to Jack Monroe's letter in your April 1977 issue, I wish to emphatically disagree with Mr. Monroe's statement, quote, "Paul Pender, without a doubt was one of the best of the past middleweight champions." His record does not warrant such a high accolade. My disagreement is based on the following:

Out of a total of only 48 fights, only 3 were held out of New England, a decision win over journeyman Ted Oila and a decision lost to Gene Fullmer both in Brooklyn. In London he was KO'd in 9 heats by Terry Downes in the second of their three bouts. A careful review of all his competition reveals decision wins over only a few reputable fighters like Horne, Durando, Otis Graham and Jones all in Boston. Two very popular hard punching middleweights, "Silent" Eugene Hairston and Jimmy Beau easily disposed of him in 3 and 5 rounds respectively also in the Bay City. The rest of the guys he beat, a few like Joe Rindone, Norman Hayes, Jackson Brown and Joe Gomes would only be familiar to New England fight buffs. He was carefully kept away from fellas like DeJohn, Giardello, Giambra, Castellani, Cartier, Green, Webb, Mimms, Greaves and numerous others. In this respect he was truly coddled and protected.

He beat a 40-year-old Robinson on two home town Boston decisions and outpointed a tired and all ready finished 34 year Basilio in Carmen's last fight.

Finally, if Pender was so great, why did all boxing associations except Massachusetts strip him of the title on November 9, 1962?

Frank T. Kelly
Providence, R.I.

HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONS AND THEIR KNOCKDOWNS

By DAN DANIEL

BOXING historians of late have turned their attention to knockdowns suffered by heavyweight champions both previous to and during their title tenures.

A lot of attention has fallen on the knockdown suffered by Muhammad Ali in the fourth round of his 15-rounder with Chuck Wepner in Cleveland.

Tony Perez, the referee, ruled it an official knockdown. Ali has insisted that it was a mere slip produced by a stray shoe lace.

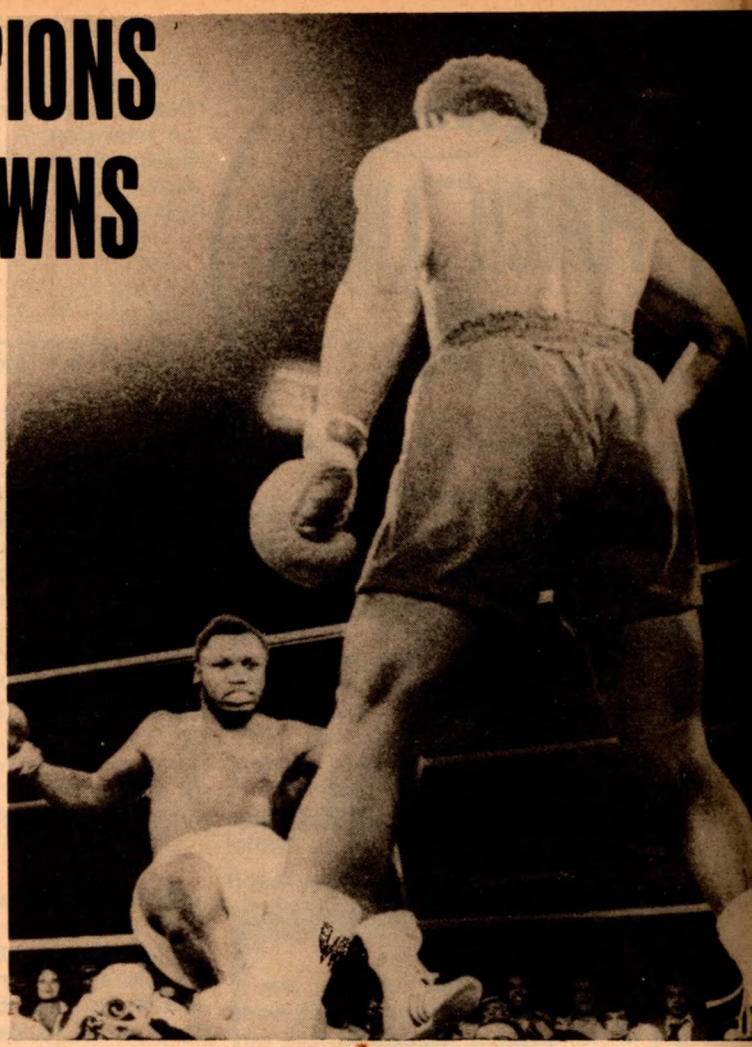
Into the records it has gone as a knockdown; No. 4 in the career of onetime Cassius Clay.

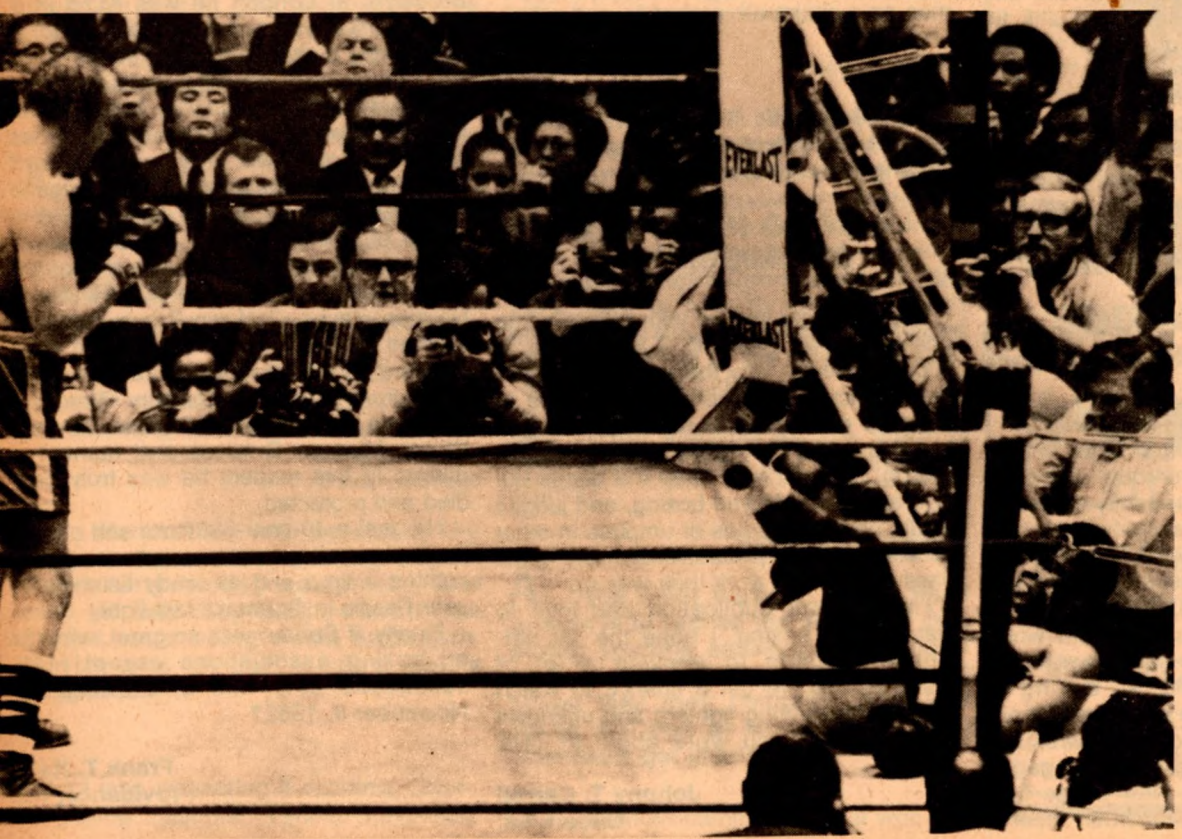
Two of his knockdowns came before Ali got to be heavyweight champion.

The first KD came in St. Nicholas Rink in New York, in the fourth round against Sonny Banks, whom he stopped in the fifth.

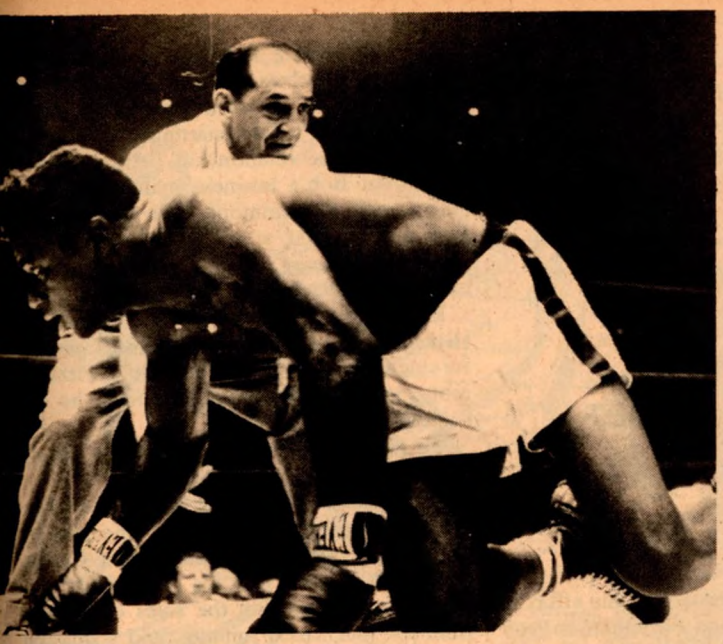
The next KD happened in London, at the hands of Henry Cooper, longtime British champion. This incident was featured by the Ripped Glove affair, which gave Ali some time to recover from the knockdown.

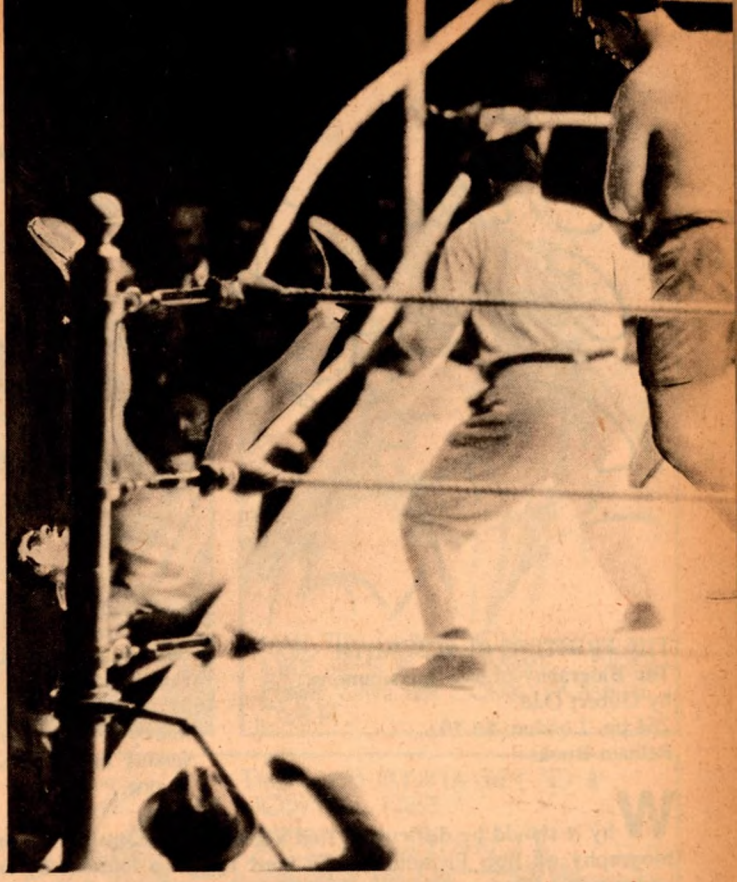
The third Ali KD came in Madison Square Garden, when Joe Frazier sent Ali down in the fifteenth round of their second meet-





(Above) George Foreman towers over fallen defending champion Joe Frazier, on January 22, 1973, in Kingston, Jamaica. Foreman downed Frazier six times in the course of stopping him at 1:35 of round two. (Left) This knockdown, #4 in Ali's career, came in round nine of his title bout with Chuck Wepner, in Cleveland, on March 24, 1975.





(Above) With sixteen knockdowns, Floyd Patterson remains the most frequently decked champion. Here, Ruby Goldstein counts out Floyd at 2:03 of the third round, on June 26, 1959, ending his match with Ingemar Johansson. (Right) Jack Dempsey is knocked through the ropes by Luis Firpo in the first round, on September 14, 1923.

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Considering the length of Ali's career in the ring and nature of the knockdowns, his record in KD recovery is an interesting one. The Cooper and Frazier knockdowns were important and interesting.

Much more serious than the four Ali trips downward were the eight KDs suffered by Frazier; six the day George Foreman decked him in taking the heavyweight title away from Joe.

A seldom referred to knockdown is the one suffered by Joe Louis in the first round of the fight in which he stopped Jimmy Braddock in eight rounds in Chicago in 1937.

An historic tidbit is the Dempsey fight with Luis Firpo, the Wild Bull of the Pampas, in the now gone Polo Grounds in New York. This fight lasted only two rounds. In the first, Dempsey was knocked out of the ring. In the second, Firpo hit the deck seven times for a heavyweight record.

Standing out, too, is the feat of Max Baer, who in the process of stopping Primo Carnera in eleven rounds, knocked him down eleven times.

In sharp contrast are the two Liston-Patterson fights, both ended by KO of Floyd in the first round.

Liston, himself, was the victim of a one-round KO, by Ali at Lewiston, Me., in a small hockey rink. The real story of that so-called fight never will be set out in actual detail.

Ali's stopping Liston in seven was not a notable trick. There was something very wrong with Charles knocking out Cooper in

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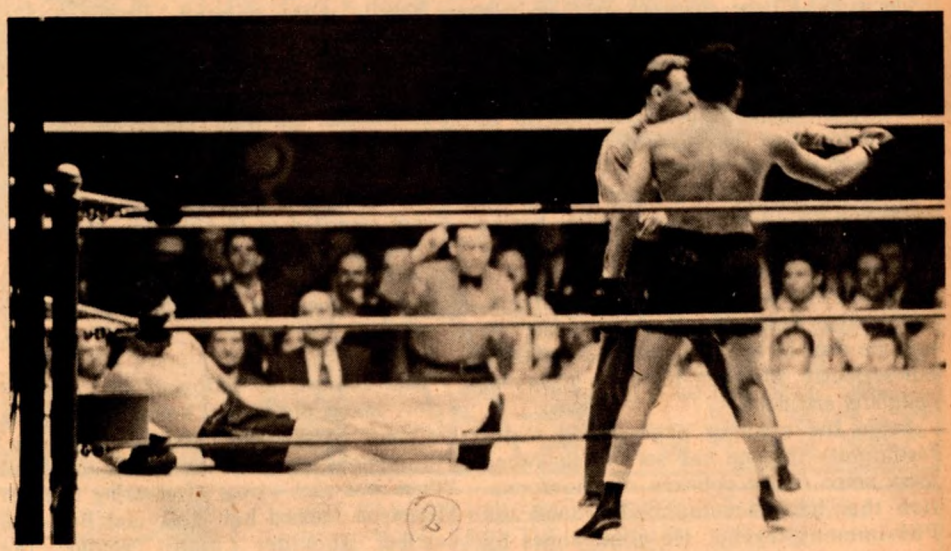
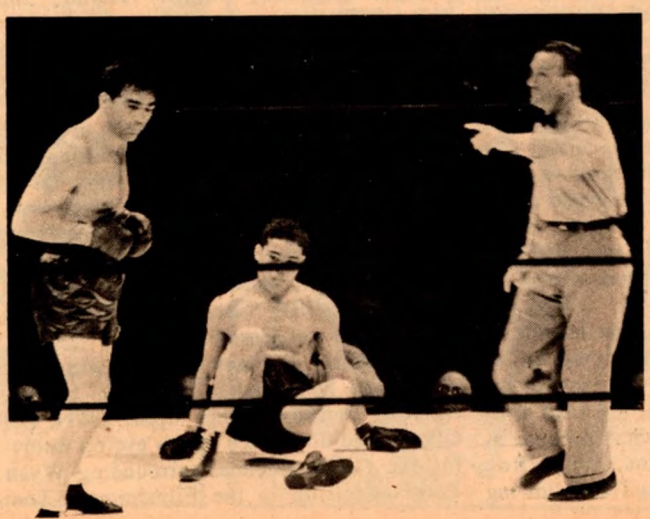
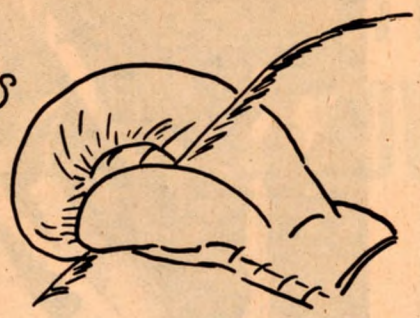




(Above) Max Schmelling is on the mat, put there by Max Baer, on June 8, 1933, in N.Y.C. Baer won that match by a 10th-round KO. (Left) Round four, June 19, 1936, Joe Louis is sent to the canvas by Schmelling, who went on to KO the Brown Bomber in the 12th.

The Critic's Corner



By JOAN F. LOUBET

THE FIGHTING BLACKSMITH
The Biography of Bob Fitzsimmons.
by Gilbert Odd.
264 pp. London: $6.50.
Pelham Books

Why it should be difficult to find a good biography of Bob Fitzsimmons is hard to understand. All the elements are there: history, adventure, success, romance, personality—and, of course, interest in the man who held three world championships, standing on spindle-shanks that had to be padded for stage appearances, topped by a blacksmith's muscular torso.

Gilbert Odd, whose love of boxing has made him known as Britain's leading boxing historian, has set matters to rights. *The Fighting Blacksmith* belongs on the shelf of every boxing buff. Odd has an earnest, chatty style which one must appreciate. At no time does he take the manly art anything but seriously, although there are plenty of delightful anecdotes.

From the opening pages, Odd states forthrightly that he has set out to sweep away some of the cobwebs of misinformation that have accumulated around the Fitzsimmons legend. He commences by correcting Bob's date of birth. Fitzsimmons himself had told Nat Fleischer that he was born on June 4, 1862, but Odd's painstaking and exhaustive research has produced, among other illuminations, a birth certificate proving once and for all that the correct date is May 26, 1863. It is amusing to note, also, that "Elston" is incorrectly attributed as his birthplace because Freckled Bob, recounting his early life, dropped his aitches. Recorders, please note: Helston, Cornwall, claims Ruby Robert.

While Mr. Odd goes to great lengths to prove his points, authenticity is only one of the book's virtues. Especially in view of the fact that he is an Englishman, Mr. Odd gives remarkable local flavor to such Americana as The Law west of the Pecos, Judge Roy Bean's sphere of influence. The following takes place when Dan Stuart, in his effort to find a site for the second Fitzsimmons-Peter Maher fight, advertised as for the heavyweight championship of the world, steams into the railroad station at Langtry, Texas:

> "Outside the tiny station Stuart found a fourteen-by-twenty foot shack, plastered with painted signs that proclaimed it to be the courthouse of Judge Roy Bean, Notary Public, who administered the law west of the Pecos River that ran from Santa Fe to join the Rio Grande. Another sign read 'The Jersey Lilly' [sic] and advertised iced beer, and going inside Stuart was not surprised to find the 'courthouse' containing a long bar, gambling tables and a jury box, the bar becoming the bench when the Judge was holding court."

That contest, as followers of the sport know, lasted ninety five seconds, including the count. After Siler raised his right arm. Fitzsimmons started back to his tent, but "there was such a roar of cheering that Bat Masterson fetched him back and Bob was carried shoulder high 'round the ring. . . .Then the winner and new world's heavyweight champion was escorted all the way back to Langtry [from a sandy flat near the Mexican border] by a cheering, gun-popping mob, and everyone crowded into 'The Jersey Lilly' where drinking and debating over the short-lived fight lasted until the next morning." Bat Masterson, Wyatt Earp, and a whole force of Texas Rangers form part of the passing parade, along with such well-known names as as Al Smith and Bill Brady, and readers experience a real sense of history.

Controversy is many a man's meat and drink, and he'll find it here. Dan Daniel, the Ring Detective (*Ring*, April, 1961), and Gilbert Odd do not see eye to eye on resolving the famous scandal surrounding Wyatt Earp's decision in the Fitzsimmons-Tom Sharkey fight in 1896 in San Francisco. The account is thrilling and readers will have to judge for themselves.

Odd gives us a warm and sympathetic account of Fitz's four marriages. Especially touching is the relationship between Rose, ex-wife of Bob's business manager, Martin Julian, and Fitzsimmons. She was not his first nor his last wife, but after she died there was never anyone who filled his existence the same way.

Touching and often comic. When Dan Hickey came upon her on her knees praying for victory over Corbett, he told Fitzsimmons it wouldn't do any harm if he did some praying himself.

"If He doesn't do it for her, it ain't likely He'll do it for me," retorted Fitz.

Well. They don't make them much like Fitz any more. He broke the knuckles of both hands fighting Jeffries, fought George Gardner 20 rounds with his shoes filled with blood from blisters on the soles of his feet from too much road running, and a smashed and splintered right hand suffered in the fourth round. Gardner never knew till the fight was over.

He retired from competition at the age of fifty when boxing commissions stepped in to bar him for his own safety.

If you want a good account of the life and times of one plucky, humorous, good-natured, rip-roaring Fighting Blacksmith, the first man to hold three world championships of different weights, this book is for you.

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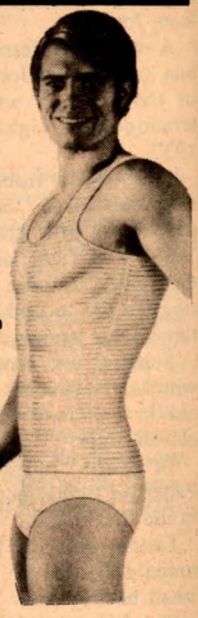

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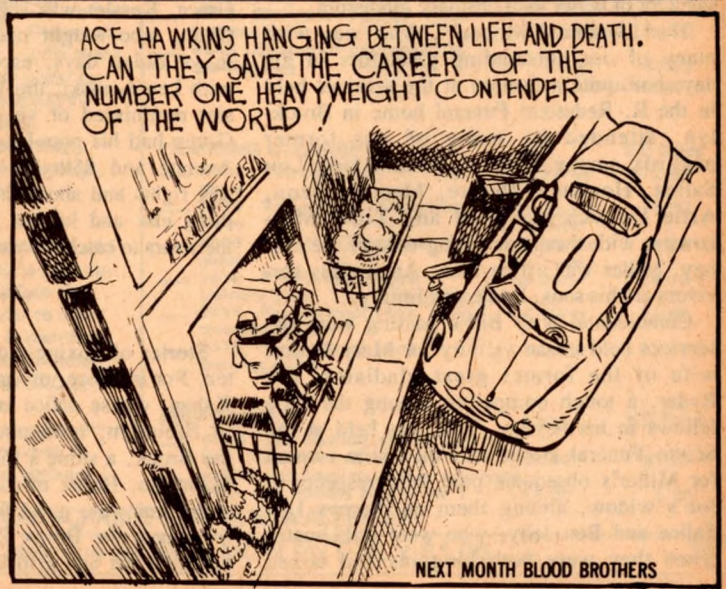

UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB

OLD timers in boxing rely on the various boxing rings around the world to keep themselves informed of what's happening to the retired boxers. Our friend from Ring #8, Al Reid's Manhattan based spot at the Statler Hilton, has quite a bunch who carry on their tradition. Only recently our friend Mickey Katz, who is happily married to a British lassie, had occasion to visit with a fine outfit in London, known as the London Ex-Boxers Association, and they welcomed the smiling Brooklynite, who was visiting London with his wife Rose, who hails from London. Many of Britain's former ring stars turned out on the occasion to welcome Mike as the Ring #8 ambassador. Katz had a great time while in England and raved about the treatment accorded him. There are many boxing rings around America where ex-pugs greet their former competitors and even frequent each others' parties away from the home base. Mike Katz was accorded the red carpet treatment.

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We had occasion several months ago to pay respects to the families of people who passed away. Our good friend, William (Bill) "Moose" Miller was one. He put in more than sixty years in fistiana as manager and trainer, being associated with the late Al Bolin and with Andy Niederreiter in managing a lot of better than ordinary gladiators.

The likeable "Moose", who was with many of our outstanding gladiators in his day, had quite a turnout at the services held in the R. Redmond Funeral home in Brooklyn, attended by many of our former pugilists among them ex-bantam king Lou Salica, Horace McIntyre, Manny Dezon, Artie DeLuca and Sam and Tillie Markowitz, with the latter taking care of the eulogy. Miller was a fine man. Among his survivors are his sons, Eddie and Jimmy.

Coincidental with Bill's passing were the services held in the vicinity for Mary Ryder, wife of the former great gladiator, Joe Ryder, a tough competitor among the little fellows in his heyday. This was held at the Scotto Funeral Home and the entire turnout for Miller's obsequies paid their respects to Joe's widow, among them ex-champs Lou Salica and Ben Jeby, who were stablemates when they were both kingpins and boxed under the banner of Hymie Caplan. Mrs. Ryder left a big family aside from her husband.

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Ted Lukawski, a security man with the Garden and a fireman in his Staten Island locale, was quite a fight buff in his day. He remembers his early days when he was taught a lot about the game by Deputy Boxing Commissioner Frank Morris, who was quite a performer in his day. Lukawski admits he had ambitious to be a fighter but beyond some amateur fracases he just found his experiences handy in his Garden affiliations, where he is assistant supervisor, associated with John Baldo and Bob Seagriff. His boss is Tom Moore. Tom's post is chief of security, and is also a retired police lieutenant of the City of New York. Ted talks about the days when he used to put the gloves on with Frank Morris when they were both at the police academy. Lukawski, who lives in Staten Island, would rather watch a fight, literally speaking than to eat.

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Veterans who were either fighters or dyed in the wool buffs crop up wherever you go. Moe Kessler, a waiter at George & Sid's at 2175 Ralph Avenue, in Brooklyn, is one of them. Dining there with the Salicas, Lou and Grace. Kessler was a friend of the late Yale Okun, who fought many memorable scraps in ye olden days, especially the close one with Leo Lomski, the Western larruper. Kessler reminisced of ye olden days when Bill Grupp had his popular gymnasium on Eighth Avenue and 55th St. Kessler would rather talk fights and about the old timers than anything else and he has many people bending their ears to catch his yarns.

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Stories of boxing's olden days crop up often. For instance, my good doctor William L. Kahan, whose office is at 2444 E. 28th St., in Brooklyn, remembers when he lived in the Bronx, a stone's throw from where Tami Mauriello, Bronx middlweight, grew up. He and Tami were good friends when they both lived near the Bronx Zoo, Tammy's brother having a bar and grill in the East Bronx. The Doc spoke about those days when Tami finally became a boxer and once stunned Joe Louis in the first round of their heavyweight title match. But Joe quickly got over his scare and before the round was over it was "finis" for the willing but outmanned and outweighed Mauriello.

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Speaking of boxers and experiences, Lou Salica, twice bantam king, recalls when he defended his title against game Tommy Forte, in Shibe Park, Philadelphia. What was surprising? Lou received the hardest punch he ever got and fought on instinct alone for the balance of the fight and, surprisingly enough, despite a close left eye, he received the decision over the Philadelphia gamecock. He fought with his left eye closed and yet got the duke, in a closely waged affair. Ex-champ Salica says that was one of his great thrills during his hectic bantam career.

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My faithful correspondent and ex-boxer Lou Jallos, now living in Westland, Mich., sends along word of the passing of that crack welterweight Morrie Schleifer, who passed away in Detroit. Morrie's former pals from boxing turned out en masse to pay their respects to Morrie, well liked, including former Detroit stars, Roscoe Toles and Davey Clark, along with himself and many others from the Detroit Ring.

Incidentally, Jallos overcame a long hospital siege which threatened him with being paralyzed with a stroke, but happily he finally recovered his health. This caused Lou to decide on quitting being a referee and applying for a judge's license from his pal Chuck Davey, former fistic star and now Boxing Commissioner of Michigan. Jallos feels it's better to just be a judge than hop around the ring as he did when he was a performer and later a referee.

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Another tragedy was the murder of Howie Steindler, 72, who was the manager of Danny (Little Red) Lopez, who was reportedly kidnapped and beaten to death. He was reportedly kidnapped near his Encino home.

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VILOMAR FERNANDEZ EASY TKO VICTOR

By Charles D. Brown

Queens, N.Y.C. — Filing out of Sunnyside Garden was a veteran boxing writer who commented, "What a travesty, paying to see something like this." The scribe was referring to the ease in which lightweight contender Vilomar Fernandez had launched his successful return to the ring (after the KO loss in a title match with Robert Duran).

The large and vocal crowd of 1,100 fans did not share this writer's disappointment. They had come to see Vilomar Fernandez and they had come to see him win, they had been granted both wishes, and that was that. Fernandez (136, Dominican Republic) scored a TKO over a veteran named Jose Melendez (130, Puerto Rico) at 2:06 of the second heat. Melendez got in some licks in the first round. But in the second heat, some hard left hooks set Melendez up for an overhand right that decked him for a count of six. Fernandez resumed the attack effectively enough for the fight to be halted without much further ado. Fernandez upped his record to 21-6-1, but it was only his sixth win by knockout. Fernandez's main man, Pete Miranda, is looking for a match with Esteban DeJesus, who owns the OTHER half of the lightweight title. The oustanding facet of Fernandez's comeback was his freshness. Not everybody can be knocked out by Roberto Duran and suffer no after-effects. Ask Ray Lampkin or Ken Buchanan.

It was a short evening's entertainment, with none of the five fights lasting beyond four rounds. There was precious little boxing, but the crowd didn't seem to mind.

The semi-final was a mess. Classy featherweight Leo Lopez (127, Dominican Republic) was having a return go with the compact Eddie Rivera (124½, Puerto Rico), whom he already had beaten quite convincingly. Rivera came in with a completely new style—fighting in close. In the first fight he had been clobbered at long range by head punches. Things were different in this fight. Instead, he was clobbered at short range by body punches. Midway through the third he spat out his mouthpiece and charged dirty tactics by Lopez were making it impossible for him to fight on. His seconds talked him out of retiring—then. But Rivera tried the same stunt in the fourth, and the stoutest talking-to could not get him back. His walkout gave Lopez a fourth-round TKO win.

In a six, Carlos Paneto (135½, Puerto Rico) scored a fourth-round TKO over Jose Ortiz (135, Puerto Rico). Ortiz was decked twice in the first heat and didn't look long for this world, but he made it a close fight until the end of the fourth, when he was squeezed again. His corner retired him before the fifth-round bell.

In a rare (for this area) featherweight bout, elongated Felix Greaves (124, Panama) won a split decision over Tony Sanchez (120, Puerto Rico).

And in a scheduled six, Bobby Alexander (135, Brooklyn) used a looping right to the jaw to dispatch chrome—domed Leo Randolph (135, Jersey City, N.J.) at 2:24 of the opening session.

The card was promoted by Vic Manni, Sunnyside's owner, who is digging up some major main eventers and is sparking interest in the local boxing scene.

▲A crowd of about 1,000 sat in on an interesting triple main event at Sunnyside Gardens, a card that was also marked by the refereeing debut of former welterweight contender Billy Graham. But the real drama was in the ring. It was a night for great impressions and both spectacular and unexpected triumphs.

In a 10-rounder, the crowd got a fine glimpse of a Dominican Republic native named Juan Hidalgo, a junior welterweight who does most of his fighting out of Miami Beach. Hidalgo (139¾) peppered and stepped his way to a unanimous decision over Justice Ortiz (142, New York City) and had the crowd very impressed. Hidalgo wasted no time in giving Ortiz the business, charging in and slamming blows to the body and head, then easily evading Ortiz's return fire. Ortiz was on the ropes in a bad way at the close of the second, and in the fourth round he picked up a messy cut on his forehead that was to prove bothersome for the rest of the evening. Ortiz spent all his energy in the middle rounds, and from the sixth on all he was doing was collecting new bruises and nicks, including a cut below the left eye. Ortiz was trickling blood from the mouth at the bell, and there was no doubt who deserved the decision. Hidalgo is now 17-1-1. I don't know what Ortiz's record is. When I went to his dressing room, his manager told me to go interview the winner.

In an eight-rounder, U.S.-ranked lightweight Larry Stanton (134¼, Merrick, New York) had the ill luck to come up against the kind of fighter the Long Island banger has trouble beating. Result—Stanton lost a unanimous verdict to the butter-smooth Marcos Barahona (134¼, Nicaragua). It was the classic matchup—Stanton the banger, Barahona the boxer. Stanton had the ill luck to bruise his right hand (his power punch) midway in the bout. This proved the deciding factor late in the fight, when Barahona was tiring from the fast pace and one hard blow conceivably could have taken him out. But I take nothing away from Barahona. He countered to Stanton's head with regularity in the early rounds and used his boxing skill to the fullest when he tired. Stanton didn't get discouraged and kept coming out smoking, staying close to Barahona and not letting him rest. A rematch would pack Sunnyside. The undefeated Barahona is coming along fast. Stanton should not be written off—it was an aggravating loss, but not a fatal one.

In another eight, Hector Perez (148, Puerto Rico) had rotten luck. Going into the sixth round against the globetrotting veteran, Angel Robinson Garcia (147¾, Cuba), Perez was ahead on two of the three cards, and seemed to be gradually solving the defense of the clever veteran. Perez ducked low to belt Garcia with a hard right to the kidney. Garcia also ducked low. Perez came out of the accidental meeting with a vicious cut over the left eye. Referee Wallace Ortiz judged the cut severe enough to halt the bout and give it to Garcia. Although one could fully sympathize with Perez's howls of disapproval, Ortiz was exactly right in stopping it. The time was 1:12 of the sixth round.

Middleweight Raul Adams lost his undefeated record to Cruz Ortiz (152, Puerto Rico) a month earlier and he was out for revenge. After taking a cuffing from Ortiz in the initial seconds of Round One, he nailed Ortiz on the ropes and really let him have it. I counted fourteen right hands to the head inside of a minute. Adams (153¾) was awarded a TKO at 2:54 of the first round.

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U.S. CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNEY

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surprise," Mosley said while Colbert retorted, "He's pretty quick and a good puncher, but he didn't sting me at all. I wanted to finish strong and I thought I was solid from the sixth on." Colbert had defeated Mosley's father two years ago. It was only the second time in boxing history that a father and son had fought the same opponent.

There was never any indication that a knockdown was forthcoming on either fighters' part; the only damage was a cut Mosley opened on Colbert's left eye lid in the first round and a cut over Mosley's right eye in the third round and over his left eyebrow in the fifth. Mosley has won 18 fights in a row.

In the featherweight bout, Richard Rozelle won his 11th fight in a row, scoring consistently with his left jab. Martinez, the stronger fighter, was cut over the left eye in the fourth round, but kept the pressure on the quicker Rozelle. Despite the pressure, Martinez could not slow Rozelle down, although he landed a lot of good punches.

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ons should give the worthy men a chance at their crowns. Forget politics and "smart" maneuvering. If a man wants to be called champion then he should fight them all!

U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY

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Some of the men who have fought in these championships in recent years have gone on to make names for themselves in boxing outside of Annapolis. Robert Newton, '63, was an Olympic team alternate two years, and Craig Gillaspie, '69, won the All-Navy title in the 157-pound class in 1973. Ken Schaub, '72, twice won the Washington Golden Gloves when he was still a midshipman. Schaub also boxed in the national amateur championships as a midshipman.

Last year Midshipman Stan O'Connor won the heavyweight title at the National Collegiate Championships.

The "SILENCE" sign hangs out of tradition, but these days boxing at Navy is an exciting, spontaneous sport for fighters and spectators alike. Perhaps when the last bell rings, the last fan shuffles out and the lights are dimmed, silence comes again to Macdonough Hall.

DAVE GREEN KO'S STRACEY

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the referee knew.

Green was not getting away unscathed. He had a bruise under the right eye, and a swelling over it, but this was nothing compared to Stracey's injured left eye. The fact that Green was pumping right after overarm right on the injury didn't help.

Stracey looked to be doing well in the ninth, but just as Green seemed to tire, back he came again, showing remarkable reserves of stamina.

With six rounds to go it seemed unlikely that Stracey would be allowed to continue for much longer because of the injury. Referee Gibbs did inquire if John wanted to carry on, and the latter naturally said that he did, but when two more rights landed on the injury, completely closing the eye, the referee intervened.

It was a great pity that such a marvelous scrap had to end that way. Green's strength looked like it would see him through anyway, but Stracey thought otherwise, and you never know.

What the contest did prove is that Green has the required assets to tackle anyone at his weight. He is a very difficult man to subdue, and this was his 24th consecutive victory, 19th inside the schedule.

Manager Andy Smith said afterwards that after this contest he had no hesitation in declaring his man ready to meet Palomino.

Stracey's future is uncertain, but if he decides to continue, there would be a ready-made return with Green, which would be another sell-out if Green happened to be world welter champ by then.

Green paid tribute to Stracey as a "great fighter," and there can be no doubt that John's performance had earned him respect from Dave.

This contest did so much for British boxing, and no praise is too high for not only the boxers, but their trainers, for the high degree of fitness they produced.

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RINGSIDE WITH "Sailor" Don Sauer

THE great welterweight and middleweight champion—SUGAR RAY ROBINSON now heads the SUGAR RAY ROBINSON YOUTH FOUNDATION—a tax-exempt organization with counselors who work with disadvantaged youths in and around Los Angeles—. ROBINSON, who was born WALKER SMITH, still says that JAKE LaMOTTA was his toughest foe ever, and the hardest puncher he ever faced—without a doubt, ARTIE LEVINE . . . When asked who the greatest fighter was ROBINSON had ever had the pleasure of seeing in action—he never flinched when he said JOE LOUIS!! SUGAR figures that MUHAMMAD ALI, GEORGE FOREMAN or KEN NORTON, the top rankers today, would never have beaten LOUIS. ROBINSON now tips the Fairbanks at 178 pounds—20 pounds more than he would like to be—and just passed his 56th milestone.

West coast boxing folks still fretting over the murder of veteran trainer and gym owner HOWIE STEINDLER—at the age of 72 years. BILLY MOORE, son of the great light-heavyweight champ, ARCHIE, has entered the "punch for pay" ranks—he will bear watching, if he possesses any of the potential his dad. . . . Again, I tab as the kid to watch—ALBERTO (SUPERFLY) SANDOVAL, who continues to "mow 'em down" in Los Angeles rings—this guy has all the tools to make it big in this business. . .JOE HERMAN, co-owner of the NEWMAN-HERMAN GYM in San Francisco, and fight manager for years of repute, now 78 years young, is "working" part-time for LEO FRIED, noted Frisco attorney, who fought under the HERMAN aegis 45 years ago—then went to law school. . . . Now that SUGAR RAY LEONARD has signed a contract with the television people, does this make them boxing managers—??? Should be interesting when a promoter attempts to sign up LEONARD for a fight—and the TV "owners" say "no.". . . Remember when Boston fight promoter SAM SILVERMAN fought the now defunct International Boxing Club for rights to certain fighters they claimed to have tied up—SILVERMAN wound up being awarded $125,000—and could have made much more, but all SAM wanted was to get SUGAR RAY ROBINSON to box PAUL PENDER in a Boston ring for the title, and this is what he got. . .PENDER than became the middleweight champion.

DON SAUER

Two west coast heavyweights who should consider retirement—HENRY CLARK and BOONE KIRKMAN, both very near to the end of the fistic trail. . . . GEORGE CHUVALO who will reach his 40th milestone in September, is on the comeback trail in Canadian rings—unfortunately this proves that there just aren't many good big guys boxing in the Dominion—CHUVALO is again recognized as the Canuck heavyweight king!!!! BILL DICKSON, promoter at the Silver Slipper in Las Vegas, is negotiating a weekly television contract that would beam the fights into the Los Angeles, a big TV market.

The Cauliflower Alley Club of Los Angeles honored former middleweight king, CARL "BOBO" OLSON at a dinner party at the San Francisco Athletic Club—former heavyweight contender of the thirties and forties, LOU NOVA was the M.C. and did his usual great job. NOVA, who boxed them all from JOE LOUIS on down and was the only man to kayo the late former champ MAX BAER twice, was the principal speaker at the California Garden Clubs convention and he spoke on daffodils and pansies—quite a guy indeed!!! His comedy act can be booked through this writer. . . . BOB BIRON, the manager of heavyweight contender KEN NORTON now has another heavyweight under his guidance, HOWARD SMITH, who is also a top ranker. SMITH was under contract to HARRY KABAKOFF . . . . The heavyweight they are watching in California rings right now is BERNARDO MERCADO, a Colombian socker who was brought to this country a couple of years ago by former baseball pitcher BO BELINSKI, who at the time was trying to crack the fight beat.

RANDY SHIELDS lost 22 pounds after a bout with pneumonia—he is now resuming his ring career. . . . A lot of veteran fight followers in Philadelphia figure that MARVIN HAGLER, the new Brockton, Mass., Blockbuster, has the number of those tough Philly fighters. . . . Sorry to hear of the passing of my late good friend BILL "MOOSE" MILLER who was in his 80's—MILLER had graced the fight game for 60 years managing and booking the top fighters in the world. Boxing has suffered a great loss here. . . .Orlando, Florida is taking over as the "hottest boxing spot" in Florida with BRUCE TRAMPLER as matchmaker and PETE ASHLOCK as promoter at the Orlando Sports Stadium.

JOHNNY VILLAFLOR, veteran Los Angeles fight trainer passed away at the age of 75 years—VILLFLOR trained CEFERINO GARCIA, JUAN ZURITA and ENRIQUE BOLANOS, among many other top names in the game for 46 years. . . . California welterweight contender, PETE RANZANY spent a week in England and France for a Consumnes River (JC) College sociology seminar—the Sacramento welterweight plans to enroll in Sacramento State College in September. Tony ZALE's official title with the Chicago Park District is Head Coach—Boxing!! He took the job some years ago after nine years as head boxing coach of the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) which started in Chicago by Bishop BERNARD SHEIL in 1930 as parish-based centers for training youths in boxing and in other sports. ZALE and his charming wife, PHILOMENA, travel far and wide to respond to the many requests for his presence at banquets and testimonials . . . . JACK BLACKBURN, who was JOE LOUIS "main man," is seldom named among the greatest, but he boxed three draws with the great SAM LANGFORD, enuf sed!!!!!

All 84 lockers and 18 private rooms are occupied at the New Oakland Gym, according to word received by this corner from proprietor DAVEY LEWIS—now who says boxing is dying?? The New Garden Gym on Friend Street in Boston isn't much—but it is bristling with activity—now that boxing is such a hit on the "boob tube"., a lot of young boys are aspiring to be fighters to make the "big money". . . .the 1976 Olympics did a lot for the game too. . .it made the public boxing conscious once again.

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By DON FRASER

ARREDONDO LOSES TO BOLANOS

Former WBC Jr. lightweight champ Ricardo Arredondo.

Los Angeles — Unbeaten Alberto Sandoval, 116½, Pomona, racked up his 18th consecutive victory at the expense of Young Casanova, 116½, of Mexicali, Mexico, at the Olympic Auditorium. In a prior meeting, Sandoval had to go all out to grab off a decision. This time, it was no contest.

Sandoval dropped Casanova for an eight count with a flurry of punches late in the third round. Referee Rudy Jordan stepped in and stopped the bout with just one second left in the round. The flashy youngster, called Superfly by his followers, attracted a crowd of 3,400 that paid $12,640.

Other results: Chris Gonzalez, 148½, Montebello, decisioned Gil Valdez, 146½, Los Angeles, (6); Fidel Frajis, 128, East Los Angeles, decisioned Martin Avila, 128, Los Angeles, (6); Freddie Gonzales, 117, East Los Angeles, won a KO over Raul Ochoa, 119, (4).

▲**Los Angeles** — Former WBC junior lightweight champion Ricardo Arredondo could win no more than one round in dropping a unanimous 10 round decision to Ramiro Bolanos of Ecuador. Arredondo was 10 pounds over his best fighting weight and showed signs of rust in losing a lackluster decision, while Bolanos, 141, carved out a huge lead with looping right hands and effective short lefts. Referee John Thomas scored it 99-93, while judges Kenny Davis and Eddie Fierro turned in respective cards of 99-92 and 99-91.

The only round Arredondo won was the sixth when he jarred the Ecuadoran a couple of times with crisp right hands. He weighed 140. The gate was $5,942.

▲**Los Angeles** — Carlos Alcivar, 119, Ecuador, was awarded a split 10 round decision over Santiago Hernandez, 119½, Mexico City, in a spirited bout at the Olympic Auditorium. The fact that Hernandez was penalized two points for low blows in the ninth cost at least a draw.

Other results: Genaro Gloria, 137½, Los Angeles, drew with Elojio Bojorquez, 133½, Mexico, (4); Paul Morales, 128, Montebello, won a KO over Martin Avila, 126, Los Angeles, (5); Fidel Fraijo, 126, Los Angeles, decisioned Johnny Jenson, 128½, Los Angeles, (6)

▲**San Diego** — Newcomer Jose Gonzales, 129½, San Juan, P.R., surprised Manny Lujan, 128, San Diego, with an all-out offensive and ended up with the decision after 10 rounds at the Coliseum.

In a second 10-rounder, Alejandro Lopez, 134½, Mexico, decisioned Ad Zapanta, 129, Manila, P.I.

David Wynne, 199½, San Diego, took a KO over Phelps Sele, 204, Samoa, in the second round of their scheduled six rounder.

Some 1,200 of the faithful paid $3,797.

▲**Los Angeles** — It took Frankie Duarte eight rounds to warm up, then he connected in the ninth to halt Jorge Carrasco, 121½, Mexico City, at the Olympic Auditorium. Duarte had trouble with his timing in the early rounds, though he was ahead on points going into the ninth. The blond Mexican-American from nearby Venice exploded a picture right hand on the chin of Carrasco to send him to the canvas. Referee Marty Denkin counted him out.

Duarte, who weighed 121½, upped his record to 28-2 with KO number 22.

Other results: Gonzalo Montellano, 136½, Los Angeles, won a decision over Rafael Nunez, 136½, Mexico, (10); Mario Chavez, 119, East Los Angeles, KO'd Silvano Lopez, 121, Los Angeles, (4); Jose Rodriguez, 134, Mexico, decisioned Genaro Gloria, 135½, Los Angeles, (5).

▲**San Diego** — Mike Mayon, 137½, San Diego, and Rafael Nunez, 138, Mexico City, battled to an exciting 10 round draw at the Coliseum.

The semifinal also ended in a draw as Charles (Budda) Brooks, 184, and David Wynne, 201, went six rounds.

Other results: Manuel Real, 130½, San Diego, decisioned Teodoro Pineda, 134½, Mexico, (6); Bert Lee, 148, San Diego, decisioned Tony Adame, 150½, Los Angeles, (4).

The gate was $3,344.

▲**Stockton** — Veteran Filipino campaigner Rudy Barro, 141¾, took the measure of Pancho Del Toro, 141½, El Paso, in a rousing 10-rounder at Civic Auditorium.

Reynaldo Zaragoza, 130¾, Mexico and Ignacio Bravo, 132, Stockton, battled to an eight round draw in the semifinal. Nacho Jimenez, 133, Stockton, decisioned Raul Monge, 133, Los Angeles, in eight.

The gate was good! $5,935.

▲**San Diego** — In a fast paced 10-rounder, Mario Mendez, 137½, Mexico, outlasted Mike Mayan, 137, San Diego, in the 10 round feature event at the Coliseum.

The gate was $3,521, a marked improvement for the Coliseum shows.

Other results: Pete McIntyre, 178, San Diego, decisioned Norman Sweeney, 176, Santa Ana, (6); David Lopez, 151, San Diego, decisioned Marvin Sanders, 151, Los Angeles, (6); Bert Lee, 148, San Diego, KO'd David Ocequeda, 150, Los Angeles, (1).

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AYALA OUTPUNCHES ANAYA FOR TKO WIN

By Jim Noland

San Antonio, Texas — Ring announcer Bill Merriman gave the Mike "Cyclone" Ayala-Romeo Anaya clash a spectacular buildup introduction and the fight lived up to it. The crowd cheered throughout the fast-paced match and arose whenever the "Cyclone" connected solidly-which was often.

Anaya, 120, proved to the 5200 boxing enthusiasts that he, the former world champion, is by no means washed up. However, he ran into a brick walled fist owned by the now 14-0, 11 kayo teenager. After three fairly close rounds, Ayala decked Anaya with a left hook. The fifth was even, but Ayala, 122, prevailed in the sixth. Anaya landed a powerful right as Ayala fired a left hook. Anaya's punch lost out, and he was dumped moments later. He arose at eight, but the fight was stopped for a TKO in the scheduled 12 rounder for the NABF super-bantam title.

Augustine Estrada of Mexico, behind a dangerous right, halted Gilbert Galvan of San Antonio in the first round of a lightweight scuffle scheduled for ten.

Another San Antonian fell as Johnny Moreno, 122, was upset by Raul Ramirez of El Paso, 120. Two knockdowns caused the contest to be stopped in the third.

Hometowner Robert Vasquez, 134, scored his ninth straight kayo in a 10-1 slate as he zipped Zip Castillo, 145, of Corpus Christi in the final sixth. Tony Padilla was the promoter.

▲**San Antonio**—Gaby "Bulldog" Cantera of San Antonio momentarily had his grip on world conterdership honors in the second round of his Lupe Pintor dual. In that round, the man from Mexico City was dropped by a right. Pintor arose quickly and fought back only to get stunned by a left hook shortly before the bell.

After Cantera (117¾) took the first and second, the TNT fisted Pintor charged back to dominate the third, fifth, and sixth. Shortly after the opening of the seventh, Pintor (115¾) smashed home one of his many low blows which resulted in a one point reduction. Later in the seventh, Pintor found the mark on the weaving Cantera with a left hook to the jaw. A volley of punches followed and Cantera sank to a technical knockout in this magnificent slugfest.

Hometowner lightweight Robert Vasquez knocked out Abby Cordova with a nice right, double hook in the second of a scheduled ten.

Rafael Duran of Nuevo Laredo, 121, caught San Antonian Tony Aranda, 124, with a right hook for a kayo in the first of the third ten rounder.

Pro debuters in a six resulted in a split nod victory for Billy Miller over Derly Cirlos, 150.

Localist Alejos Rodriguez kayoed Victor Villanueva of Laredo in the final fourth. The attendance was 2663 for the Toscano Brother's promotion.

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GANIGAN EXCITING HONOLULU FANS

By Ted Yamachika

Sad Sam Ichinose is the only boxing promoter operating in Honolulu at the present time. Last year there three. The three fight cards Sam has presented so far this year have drawn fair turnouts, definitely an improvement over the dismal crowds of last year.

The lad who can really bring back the crowds is Andrew Ganigan. A local boy of Filipino extraction, he was born in a plantation town and he still works on the plantation as a superintendant. With 12 consecutive knockout wins, although against unknowns, he is now in the position of building up a huge following if he can win against the better boys. His manager and his backers think he has this ability.

▲In his most recent start, Andrew Ganigan, 134, Honolulu, knocked out Jose Luis Gonzalez, 133, Mexico, in the 10th and final round at the Blaisdell Memorial Center arena. Prediction was that Ganigan would put Gonzalez away in three or four rounds. But the Mexican fighter gave the local boy a real battle right down to the wire.

Tala Taito, 149¾, Honolulu, chilled Venicio Gonzalez, 148, Mexico, in the fourth of a six.

Charlie Jaiaut, 120¼, Thailand, finished Gary Correa, 120, Honolulu, in two rounds.

Lorenzo Dias, 149¾, Mexico, knocked out Stanley Gonzales, 146¼, Honolulu, in four.

Vai Afa, 161¼, Tonga, decisioned Richard Neal, 157¾, Calif. in four.

▲Hong Soo Hwan, 125, Korea, beat Conrado Vasquea, 124, Philippines, in ten rounds. The former world bantamweight champ didn't show much, at least not the form of a champion. His corner blamed his sluggish performance to five months of inactivity.

Young Casanova, 114, Mexico, surprised by beating Orlando Javierto, 115, Philippines, handily in another tenner.

Larry Fuentes, 132¼, Philippines beat Enrique Garcia, 132½, Mexico, in eight.

Akio Kameda, 147¾, Japan, finished Edmond Gouveia, 148½, Honolulu, in two rounds.

Virgilio Legaspe, 135½, Philippines, outpointed Memo Guerrero, 136, Mexico, in four.

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MEET DAVE GREEN

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him a shot at former champ John H. Stracey, whom Green KO'd in ten.

Five years ago Dave met his wife, Kay, at a dance, and they have now been married for just over two years. At first they were forced to live with Kay's parents, but have now got their own house in Chatteris. "When we started going out together, and I told her I was an amateur boxer, she couldn't stop laughing," said Dave. "After all, I was only 17, skinny and weighing eight stones (112 pounds).

"As a wife she's been marvellous. Understanding too, although she perfers not to come and watch me now like she did when I was an amateur."

His favourite relaxation is rabbit-shooting, and thereby hangs a tale. When he was 18 he was out shooting with a friend. For some reason or other he was shooting out of the window of their van, and as he brought the gun back into the van and put it on his lap it went off.

"The explosion almost blew me out of the van," said Dave. "There was a large hole in my right side. I yelled for my mate. He thought I was joking, realized I wasn't and we made for the nearest hospital, which was eight miles away.

"To cap it all off, the van broke down, but we managed to get there. In the hole were 65 pellets, of which 15 remain to this day. And I have quite a scar on my right side to prove it. I was in the hospital for two weeks."

At the start of Dave's career he was all aggression. The sheer weight and frequency of his punches mowed down most of the opposition. This endeared him to the fans, but naturally as the quality of opponents got stronger, so did Dave's tasks get more formidable. This was when the shrewd thinking of manager Smith took over, and although Dave is still aggressive, it is more controlled, and he works behind a stiff left jab, besides tightening his defences.

Let the last word come from Eric boon, who after watching Dave in his third pro fight, said, "He's a thinker and a good puncher. Most important, he's dedicated." After watching Dave win the title, Eric remarked, "I was particularly impressed with his body-punching." And to Dave himself Eric said, "A magnificent performance. Stay dedicated, and you'll be a great champion."

All Chatteris will go along with that.

UNPOPULAR DECISIONS MARK VEGAS CARDS

By Shirley Norman

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA - The month of April entered the boxing scene here with a shower of unpopular decisions.

It began with Tony Trudnich's monthly card at the Sahara Space Center. Kevin Morgan of Los Angeles and Larry Bonds of Denver, Colorado, both at 146½ pounds, slugged it out for the Nevada welterweight title held by Morgan.

The crowd of 615, plus one of the judges, were convinced that Bonds had won the fight. But the split decision went to Morgan—and uproarious boos ensued.

Bonds, the Denver dynamo, employed ferocious right jabs and hooks to keep Morgan off balance through most of the fight. Two jabs in the sixth round caused Morgan cuts over his mouth and right eye.

However, the tenth round proved to be Bond's undoing as he slipped to the canvas. Most fans felt it was a slip—a few felt it was a knockdown—but the net result was confidence for Morgan and a loss of momentum for Bonds. Morgan staggered his southpaw opponent seconds before the bell ended the round.

Judge Harold Buck scored 55-54 for Bonds; while Bill Kipp scored 55-54 for Morgan; and Art Lurie scored 56-53, also for Morgan.

The loss brings Bonds' record to 20-2, with both losses in Las Vegas.

Another close and controversial decision was handed down in a preliminary between Jorge "Kid Dynamite" Morales, 137½, and Mario Mendez, 140½.

Morales, who darts around the ring like Puerto Rican dynamite, was hampered by an injured right hand, making his hook-from-the-heels style less potent than usual.

Mendez, who suffered a swollen left eye early in the fight, seemed slower and less effective than his lighter opponent—but managed to gain the split decision by a hairline margin.

In a second preliminary, welterweight Bruce Curry, 146, of Ft. Worth, Texas, won a unanimous decision over southpaw Jimmy Jackson, 146, of Los Angeles.

This was the only non-controversial decision of the evening.

A dejected Jimmy Jackson, who has never won a fight in Las Vegas, declared that the Strip is a "jinx" for him. He vowed, like Larry Bonds, never to fight a Vegas bout again.

▲Two nights later, Miller Sports Promotions "Strip Fight of the Week" at the Silver Slipper also suffered from the "bad decision" syndrome.

Local favorite Leroy Haley took his 30-1 record into a main event bout against Mexican Leonardo Bermudez.

Haley was far from the dazzling fighter fans had remembered and Bermudez controlled the fight from the opening bell.

However, the decision came as a draw.

One judge called the fight even—another scored for Haley—and the third for Bermudez. Fans were wondering if all three judges had seen the same fight.

The Haley-Bermudez bout was originally scheduled for the Nevada junior welterweight championship. But the Nevada Athletic Commission had decided that Bermudez was not championship quality.

However, Bermudez' fine showing in the Silver Slipper ring changed a few minds—and both fighters are hoping for a rematch, this time for the intended state title.

In a heavyweight preliminary, Las Vegas Vaiao Suafoa, 201, knocked out Gordy Steward, 193, of Los Angeles, at 40 seconds of the first round. Suafoa landed a stunning left hook to Steward's stomach—and the fight was over in a flash.

A second preliminary bout saw Victor Hernandez stop Hector Ontiveros at 19 seconds of the fifth round.

In a junior welterweight prelim, Horace Shufford, 143, of Los Angeles made an impressive showing to win a unanimous decision over Gil Valdez, 145½, of Los Angeles.

O'GRADY REGISTERS 12-SECOND KO

By Tom Parker

OKLAHOMA CITY — Swirling out of mid-ring like a Sooner dust-devil, Oklahoma City's Sean O'Grady lashed a crackling left hook to the chin of Little Rock's Melvin Jameson and followed with a quick two-handed flurry to kayo his 40th opponent in 45 fights in the bi-monthly boxing show at Oklahoma City's Ramada Inn Central. It was O'Grady's 44th win against a lone loss. It required just 12 seconds to settle the issue.

In co-10 rounders of the triple bill, Oklahoma City's undefeated middleweight, Mickey Banks, scored his 13th victory by stopping Jimmy Cook, Tampa, Fla., on a TKO in the third round, and fellow citizen Tony Gardner duplicated the feat with a third round kayo of Willie Carter, Little Rock, Arkansas.

In a four-round preliminary, Oklahoma City's Pete Knight took a split decision over Oklahoma City's Wayne Lewis.

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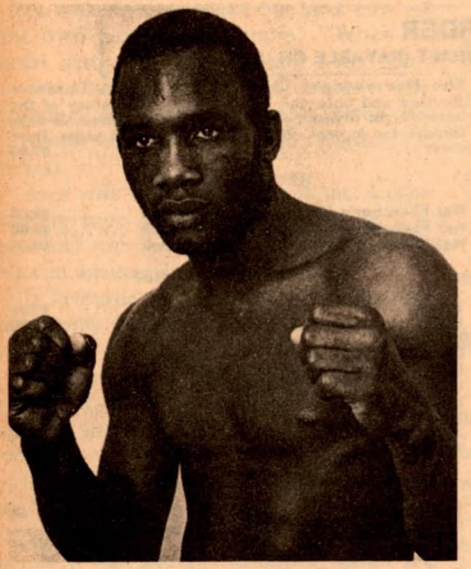
Bunny Johnson is British 175 King



Former British heavyweight king Bunny Johnson took the national light heavyweight crown from Tim Wood by a KO in one.

WOLVERHAMPTON CIVIC HALL—Jamaican-born Bunny Johnson, former British heavyweight champion, won the national light heavyweight crown by sensationally knocking out champion Tim Wood, 173¼, in 1 minute 43 seconds of the first round. In doing so Bunny set up all sorts of records. He was the first immigrant to win the light heavyweight title, also the first immigrant to win British championships at two different weights. It was also the first one-round victory in the history of the division.

All of which gave Johnson a lot of satisfaction. He is now 30 years old, and it took him a long time to get established. When he started professionally it was not possible for an immigrant to box for a British title, and there have been several occasions along the way when he thought about packing it in. To his credit he persevered, and is now established as a good boxer who can also punch. Under manager George Francis he has produced some of his best performances, and this was no exception.

Wood, too, has fought hard to get established, but this wasn't to be his night. Before he had time to land even one positive punch Johnson brought over a right to the chin, and down went Wood. The back of his head hit the canvas, and he didn't seem conscious of what was going on as he was counted out.

That's the fight game.

Kirkland Laing, Nottingham, 148¾, drew with Peter Morris, Bridgnorth, 148½, over ten, which enabled the former to keep his unbeaten record.

It looked odds on a Laing victory, but he faded considerably in the latter rounds.

Whether or not Morris succeeded in making up the leeway is debatable, but he certainly showed a lot of determination. Laing boxed well in the early stages, keeping his opponent off balance by excellent footwork.

A good fight, and a popular result.

Terry O'Connor, Birmingham, 202, comfortably outpointed substitute George Gray, Aberdeen, 186½, over eight twos by 79½-77½.

Kevin Docherty, West Ham, 130, outpointed Don Aagesen, Birmingham, 129, over six twos. A good fight to watch. Last time they met the result was a draw. This time Docherty was good value for his 59½-58½ victory.

Doug Ralston, Leicester, 163, outscored Al Neville, Tottenham, 164, over eight twos by 78½-77½. Neville bled from the nose, and was tiring badly at the close.

Roy Varden, Nuneaton, 134, beat Charlie Wallace, Merthyr, 133¾, the referee intervening in the fifth. Wallace was decked in the opening round, and wasn't retaliating when it was stopped.

British light middleweight champion Jimmy Batten, Millwall, was decked in the second round, but got up to outpoint Trevor Francis, Basingstoke, over ten in a non-title fight. Both were inside 156.

The scoreline of 99½-97 indicated only one round to Francis, who was marked facially and cut inside the mouth.

Inactive for five months, John L. Gardner, Hackney, 205¾, beat American Brian O'Melia, 201, the bout being stopped in the second to save O'Melia further punishment.

It was Gardner's 23rd straight win.

Steve Angell, Hemel Hempstead, 148½, outpointed Johnny Pincham, Crawley, 152¼, over six in a contest arranged late when the original bout had to be cancelled because one of the boxers was injured. Scoreline 59-58½. Pincham was floored in the final round, which probably, clinched it for Angell.

Tommy Davitt, Highgate, 145, confirmed a previous win by outpointing Earl Noel, Walworth, 146, over six by 59½-59. A close fight, with Davitt showing up well in the early rounds, and punching too fast for Noel, who staged a grandstand finish.

Lee Graham, Finchley, 136, beat Wally Angliss, Harrow, 124¼, the referee intervening in the fifth after Angliss was cut on the left eyebrow. Pity—Wally was doing well up to then.

▲Cesar's Palace, Luton—Argentine's Avenamar Peralta now a naturalized German, and 34 years old, can consider himself fortunate to beat Billy Aird, 199, who was disqualified in the fifth round for "illegal use of the head."

Aird had the fight in his pocket. Peralta was cut on the right eyebrow, had taken some hefty left hooks to the body which he obviously did not appreciate, and it seemed just a matter of time. There was then a clash of heads, then later another, which referee Sid Nathan considered deliberate and ruled out Aird, who had already been warned once for an alleged low blow, then for hitting on the break.

Aird said afterwards, "I could see he was going to butt me, so I had to get my head down first."

It was the first time Billy had been disqualified, either as an amateur or pro, and it was a bad time for this to happen to him. £1,000 of his purse money was withheld pending an enquiry.

Clive Hogben, Kettering, 127½, was decked in the opening round, but got up to kayo Dave Tuohey, Leeds, 132½, in the sixth of a scheduled eight.

Hogben had been inactive for over twelve months, and this was evident as he was decked in the opening session. To his credit he survived and gradually got back into the fight with some accurate southpaw leads.

Tuohey was warned for alleged butting in the fifth, and in the following round Hogben shook him with left hooks, then put him down.

He took the count on one knee, was up at nine, but signified to the referee that he could not continue. Official verdict—a knockout.

Johnny Cox, Northampton, 181, beat Eddie Vierling, Southampton, 168, the bout being stopped in the fifth after the latter had been floored. Cox thus confirmed a previous victory.

Roy Varden, Nuneaton, 138, outscored Young Daly, Northampton, 135, over four by 40-38, winning every round.

▲World Sporting Club, London—Charlie Nash, Derry, won his eleventh successive bout by beating American Tom Tarantino, 137, in 55 seconds of the opening round, on the referee's intervention after the latter had been decked.

Southpaw Nash, 135, is official contender for the British lightweight title.

The Novice £1,000 Heavyweight Competition was won by Neil Malpass, South Hamshall, 211, who in the final outscored Brian Paul, Basildon, 201, over four rounds. First Round: Henry Mears, Brighton, stopped John Foley Hammersmith, 3rd.: Neil Malpass, South Hamshall, stopped Johnny Clark, Streatham, 3rd: Brian Paul, Basildon, stopped Patrick Whyte, Roscommon, 1st: Martin Nee, Galway, received a bye. Semi-Finals: Malpass stopped Mears, 3rd. Paul stopped Nee, 2nd.

▲Wolverhampton Civic Hall—Godfrey Butler, Birmingham, 133½, became the Midlands Area lightweight champion, winning the vacant crown by beating Von Reid, Birmingham, 132¾. The bout was stopped in the sixth after Reid had been decked twice.

Peter Freeman, Bolton, 206, beat Derek Simpkin, Swadlincote, 202, who was disqualified in the sixth after a final warning for alleged low punches.

Mickey Bell, Leicester, 129, kayoed Richard Scarth, Malton, 132, in the fifth of a scheduled six.

Doug Ralston, Leicester, 164, beat Peter Mullins, Wolverhampton, 164, the referee intervening in the seventh of a scheduled eight with Mullins on the receiving end.

▲Yorkshire Executive Sportsmens Club, Bradford—Ishaq Hussien, Reading, 208, made it eleven in a row by beating Eddie Fenton, Leicester, 196, who retired at the end of the third with a damaged finger on his right hand.

Neil Malpass, South Hamshall, 206, beat Keith Johnson, Barnsley, the bout being stopped in the third with Johnson hanging on after being caught with a right to the head.

Coincidence: Malpass had previously been outpointed by Keith's elder brother, Roy.

Roysie Francis, Manchester, 148, beat Dave Thomas, Liverpool, 147, the bout being stopped in the fifth of a scheduled six after Thomas had been down. A good scrap.

Another coincidence: Francis has also beaten Dave's brother Ray.

▲Seymour Hall, London—This was the first promotion at this hall for a little while, and the first by promoter Eddie Thomas, former welterweight champion, who managed two world champions, Howard Winstone and Ken Buchanan.

It wasn't exactly "house full," but Eddie was satisfied and plan further shows there.

Southern Area heavyweight champ Denton Ruddock, Camberwell, topped the bill, and outpointed Tony Moore, Hendon, 195¾, over eight by 79-77½ in a non-title affair. Both boxers were born in Jamaica.

Ruddock's win was a clear one.

Colin Powers, Paddington, 137, beat Former British champ Tommy Glencross, Glasgow, 136, the referee's intervention coming in the fourth of a scheduled eight.

By then Glencross had cuts over both eyes, and still in the fight, although Powers looked ahead.

Kris Smith, Sutton, 235, gained his ninth win in a row by outscoring Derek Simpkin, Leicester, 205½, over eight by 79½-77½. Simpkin just couldn't concede the weight, and his best punches failed to have any effect.

Jimmy King, Birmingham, 140½, outscored Barton McAllister, Clapham, 139¾, over eight twos by 79½-78½. A fight devoid of incident.

Don Hughes, Smithfield, 152¼, outpointed Bertie Green, Birmingham, 151¾, over six twos by 59-58½. Green was down in the opening round, but came back well.

Steve Fenton, Leicester, 165½, outpointed Henry Johnson, Stepney, 167, by 80-78 over eight twos. Fenton was the more enterprising.

▲Digbeth Civic Hall—Tony Sibson, Leicester, 159¼, is only 18, but looks a fine prospect in the middleweight division. He made it 13 in a row by knocking out Gareth Jones, Merthyr, 162¾, in just 59 seconds of the first round.

Achille Mitchell, Coventry, 151½, beat Paul Shutt, Leicester, the bout being stopped in the sixth of a scheduled eight. It was Shutt's first defeat as a pro.

Shutt's nose was broken in round two, and was twice decked in the sixth. Mitchell punched too hard and too fast for him, although he tried to keep in the fight, and protested when the referee intervened. But he was marked facially, and looked a very weary boxer.

Debutant Des Gwilliam, Birmingham, 135, beat Marty Jacobs, Liverpool, 139, the referee intervening in the sixth and final round after Jacobs had been down three times.

Another victorious debutant was Wayne Floyd, Cranleigh, 138, who defeated Ceri Collins, Merthyr, 136¼, the bout being halted in the fifth of a scheduled six. The timekeeper counted Collins out, but the referee had stopped it as he went down, his only concern being to ensure that Ceri was all right.

Wally Angliss, Harrow, 121, easily outscored Paul Clemit, Barnsley, 126, over eight by 80-76½. Angliss kept busy, varied his punches well, and Clemit looked shaken at times when caught by his opponent's right crosses.

Kevin Davies, Nottingham, 137¼, seemed a bit lucky to hang on to his unbeaten record by means of a points win over Tommy Davitt, Dublin, 136¾, scoreline 79-77½ over eight twos.

▲Neptune's Palace, Caister—Manny Romain, Kennington, 147½, kept his unbeaten record by outpointing Roysie Francis, Manchester, 149, over eight by 78½-78. A narrow verdict and some fans didn't approve.

Terry Schofield, Bishop Auckland, 148½, avenged a previous defeat by outscoring Carl Bailey, Manchester, 146, over eight by 79-78. Scofield was the more accurate and showed the greater variety in his punching.

Kevin Sheehan, Alfreton, 128, beat Malcolm McHugh, Liverpool, 125½, the bout being stopped in the third of a scheduled four twos. McHugh was making his debut, but found Sheehan too strong.

Jimmy Bott, Liverpool, confirmed a previous win by outpointing Ian Murray, Manchester, 120, over six twos by 59½-58½. Bott kept busy, with Murray countering well. The former's forcing tactics were enough to see him home.

Ray Thomas, Liverpool, 144, outpointed George Danes, Doncaster, 146½, over four twos by 40-38½, not losing a round.

▲Hove Town Hall—Mick Minter, Crawley, 149, comfortably outpointed Mick Barker, Portsmouth, 144, by 79½-77½ over eight rounds in the first show staged in the area for nine years.

Tommy Kiely, Brighton, 191, kept his unbeaten record by overwhelmingly outpointing David Fry, Bournemouth, 219, by 80-76½, not losing one of their eight rounds.

Barry Price, Brighton, 137, was decked in the first round but got up to outpoint Allan Jones, Merthyr, 144, over six. The fans loved it, and nobbins came in afterwards. Scoreline 59½-58½.

Terry Knight, Brighton, 153½, beat Clive Davidson, Peckham, 156, the referee intervening in the fifth with Davidson on the receiving end. Clive afterwards announced his retirement from the ring.

Alan Butters, Southampton, 184, was much too busy for Billy Warner, Brighton, 194, and won by 40-38½ while not conceding a round. A tragedy occurred on the way back to the dressing-room when Warner's 67-year-old manager Nat Yess collapsed and died in spite of attempts to revive him. Nat had a heart attack twelve months ago.

Debutant Mick O'Mara, Hastings, 140, drew with Peter Beauvosin, Portsmouth, 141, over six. O'Mara got off to a good start, but O'Mara rallied well and deserved a share.

▲Tiffanys Ballroom, Glasgow—Only two bouts on this bill owing to late withdrawals.

Tommy Duffy, Wishaw, 138, outpointed Benny McQuade, Purdy, Belfast, 136, over eight twos by 79-78.

Inactive for nearly a year, John Mount, Wishaw, 154, outscored Gerry Young, Belfast, 151, over six twos by the narrow margin of 59-58½.

▲20th Century Sporting Club, Southend—Barry Price, Crawley, 135, didn't lose a round in outpointing Don Burgin, Shotton, 133, over eight twos by 80-76½.

The award of £100 for the best contest of the night was shared by Mickey Lock, Croydon, 163, and Owen Robinson, Birmingham, 162, who drew their hectic six-rounder.

Jim Moore, Bradford, 156, beat Liam White, Wells, 154, the bout being stopped in the seventh of a scheduled eight after White had been decked. Moore looked to be in command throughout.

Joe Hannaford, Liverpool, 155, kayoed Tony Kelsey, Durham, 162, in the sixth and final round. This was the only knockdown, and Kelsey was afterwards taken to a hospital, but returned home after treatment.

Bertie Green, Birmingham, 147, defeated John Beauchamp, Portsmouth, 144, who was retired by his corner at the end of the third. Beauchamp had been on the receiving end.

▲Leeds Town Hall—Alan Richardson, 125¾, won the British featherweight title by beating the holder Vernon Sollas, Edinburgh, 125¼, the bout being stopped in the eighth when Sollas was taking a lot of punches without retaliating. When they met two years ago with no title at stake Sollas stopped Richardson, also in the eighth.

Richardson was in front at the end of six rounds, but Sollas rallied in the following session, and scored with both hands. The decisive punch was the right to the head that wobbled Sollas just before the end of the seventh.

At the start of the eighth Richardson was not prepared to rush in, but jabbed purposefully until he realized that Sollas had little left. Then he switched to the body, and Sollas could only try and cover up, whereupon referee James Brimmell intervened. A fine victory for a fighter who has never enjoyed top publicity, and the crowd of 1,500 gave him a tremendous ovation.

Billy Waith, Cardiff, 146, nearly beat Chris Walker, Sheffield, 142, on a knockout in the eighth and final round, but had to settle for a points win. Scoreline 79½-76½.

Steve Fenton, Leicester, 162, outpointed Jim Moore, Bradford, 155, over eight twos by 80-77, not losing a round. Moore was down in the opening seconds momentarily, but came back well, and it was a good crowd-pleasing contest.

George Kidd, Glasgow, 148, outscored George Daines, Doncaster, 148, over four twos by 40-37½. Another good scrap with Kidd improving after weathering an early onslaught.

Also over four twos, Albert Coley, Birmingham, 139, drew with Kevin Sheehan, Nottingham, 138. A right hand put Sheehan down in the final session, but the result looked fair.

▲Ango-American Sporting Club, Manchester—Greg Evans, Liverpool, easily outscored substitute Winston Cousins, Manchester, 171, by 80-77½ over eight, not losing a round.

Freddie Mills, Manchester (with a name like that he has a lot to live up to), 149½, survived a cut eye in the second and a deal of punishment to kayo Bertie Green, Birmingham, 150, in the third of a scheduled six.

Howard Mills, Huddersfield, 163, avenged a previous defeat by outscoring Eddie Smith, Manchester, 162½, over six twos by 59-58½, which was the narrowest possible margin. Smith was rapidly cutting down his opponent's early lead.

Billy Hill, Blackpool, 160, outpointed Jimmy Pickard, Pudsey, 161, over eight twos by 79½-78. Pickard was decked in the final round, but had put up quite a fight, especially in the early rounds.

▲Cunard International Hotel, London—Nobbins came into the ring after Achille Mitchell, Coventry, 148½, had outpointed Johnny Pincham, Crawley, 149, by 79½-78. No doubt as to the winner, but the scoreline could have been closer.

Mitchell built up a lead as the fight progressed, and Pincham was marked by both eyes. The latter was at his best trading punches but Mitchell wisely kept jabbing away.

Dave Hamm, Basildon, 146, beat Allan Jones, Swansea, 144, on a knockout in 55 seconds. Jones was caught by a right which dropped him to his knees. He was rising at nine, but was adjudged to have been counted out.

Keith Bussey, Camberwell, 162, beat Mick Evans, Bournemouth, 160, the bout being stopped in the fourth after the latter had been decked twice.

Henry Johnson, Stepney, 165, defeated Erroll Lotriet, Southampton, 162, the bout being stopped in the fourth after Lotriet had been twice on the canvas.

Paul Bussette, Willesden, 168¼, outpointed Colin Rooke, Barnsley, 170¼, over four twos by 40-38½. Bussette jabbed accurately against a southpaw who finished strongly.

▲Midlands Sporting Club, Solihull—It's not all glory being a champion. Britain's new welterweight title-holder Henry Rhiney, Luton, having his first fight since he won the crown three months previously, was outpointed in a non-title affair by Steve Angell, Hemel Hempstead, over eight by the narrowest possible margin of 78½-78. Both were inside the stipulated 150.

There were those who didn't agree with the verdict, but be that as it may Rhiney was obviously suffering from ring-rustiness.

Sixth in a row for Cornelius Bosa-Edwards, Harrow, 134¼, all inside schedule, by beating Midlands Area lightweight champion Godfrey Butler, Birmingham, 134¼. This one ended in a second-round knockout after Butler had been down twice.

Henry Cooper, Glasgow, 164¾, easily outscored John Breen, Belfast, 165, by 78½-76½ over eight. Cooper recently made a comeback after a long period of inactivity, and jabbed his way to victory.

Paul Clemit, Barnsley, 129, outpointed Don Aagesen, Birmingham, 128½, over six by 60-58, not losing a round. Full marks to Aagesen for whole-hearted endeavour, but he was always behind.

Peter Neal, Abingdon, 146¼, kayoed Steve Laybourn, Barnsley, 143½, with a right to the chin in the second round.

▲North Staffs Sporting Club, Stoke—Pat Brogan, Crewe, 165, gained his fourth win over Mick Hussey, Islington, 164, out of four outings by a conclusive points victory in their eight-rounder. Scoreline 80-76½, which meant Pat didn't lose a round.

Carlton Benoit, Hackney, 177, outpointed Johnny Cox, Northampton, 175, over eight twos. When they met before the result was the same. The scoreline of 79-77 might have been a little tough on Cox, who tried hard to force it and indeed finished strongly. However, Benoit revealed the cleaner and more accurate punching.

Tommy Joyce, Doncaster, 148, outscored Colin Ward, Northampton, 147½, over eight twos by 79½-78. Ward was down for eight, and both were cut by the eyes. Joyce's southpaw jab was the deciding factor.

George Salmon, Stoke, 164, outpointed Brian Gregory, Doncaster, 165½, over eight twos by 78-77½. Near thing, but Salmon put on the pressure in the later rounds.

Joe Hannaford, Shrewsbury, 163, kayoed Mick Lock, Croydon, 162, in the fourth after decking him twice. When they met before Hannaford won on a two-round kayo.

▲Great International Sporting Club, Nottingham—Dave Mullings, Tottenham, 175, outpointed Manny Gabriel, Kettering, 173, over eight by 78½-78. A narrow margin, but one which confirmed a previous win for Mullings.

Colin Deans, Jarrow, 147, made it five out of five by beating Sinclair Christie, Ealing, 149. The bout was stopped in the fifth when Christie was cut on the left eyebrow.

Nicky Bevan, Kettering, 142¾, outscored Joe Ward, Goole, 147, by 59½-58½ over six. A great fight, rewarded by nobbins of £20, but not everyone agreed with the verdict. A return contest was immediately arranged.

Albert Coley, Birmingham, 136, outpointed Del Whyte, Tottenham, 138, over six by 59½-58. Another good scrap for the fans.

▲Anglo-American Sporting Club, London—Colin Powers, 137½, kayoed Clinton McKenzie, 136½, in two rounds with a right to the jaw. Colin lived up to his name, and gave a powerful performance in increasing the tempo, setting his man up, then bringing over the old equaliser.

Kevin Docherty, West Ham, 133¾, defeated Mark Skinner, 137½, the referee intervening in the second with Skinner still standing, but taking a deal of punishment.

Brian Paul, Basildon, 201¼, beat John Foley, Hammersmith, 183, the bout being stopped after Foley had been decked three times.

▲Club Double Diamond, Caerphilly—Sixth in a row for Chris Davies, Cardiff, 142, who outpointed Mickey Flynn, Manchester, 149, over eight by 79½-77½.

Colin Breen, Swansea, 163, kayoed Owen Lotriet, Southampton, 165, in the second round with a right to the chin.

Tony Burnett, Llanddrudock, outscored Kevin Paddock, Southampton, 162, over six by the narrow margin of 59½-59. Burnett concentrated on the body, was the harder puncher, and won in spite of some accurate jabbing by Paddock.

Kevin Webber, Porth, made a successful debut by outpointing Johnny Elliott, Bournemouth, over six by 59-58. Both received warnings for misuse of the head, and it was a scrappy encounter. No weights announced.

▲Arden Sporting Club, Birmingham—Kenny Webber, Manchester, 151½, back after nearly a year's absence, outpointed Scottish light-middleweight champion John Smith, Glasgow, 154, by the overwhelming margin of 80-76 in their eight-rounder.

Eddie Smith, Manchester, 161¾, beat Steve Fenton, Leicester, 164, the bout being stopped in the sixth after Fenton had been down three times.

Malcolm Heath, Hull, 163¾, defeated Johnny Rushton, Doncaster, 162, who was retired by his corner at the end of the fourth.

Lee Graham, Finchley, 126, beat Steve Enwright, Bradford, 128, the bout being halted when the latter was cut by the right eye.

▲General Motors Social Club, Holytown—Willie Booth, 133, outpointed Don Burgin, Shotton, 135, by 79-78 over eight.

Burgin survived a stormy spell in the early rounds, especially in the third, when he was shaken by head punches. To his credit he kept going.

Hugh Smith, Chapelhall, 143, beat Jimmy King, Birmingham, 140, who was disqualified in the fifth for a low blow.

Reg Long, Peterlee, 172, beat John McCallum, 171, the referee intervening in the fourth when the latter was cut on the left eyebrow, a wound necessitating four stitches.

▲National Sporting Club, London—Frankie Lucas, Croydon, 163½, outpointed Wayne Bennett, Tredegar, 160, over eight by 80-77½, not losing a round.

Peter Neal, Jswindon, 146¼, outscored George Kidd, Glasgow, 147½, by 59½-57 over six. Kidd was decked in the fifth from a left hook.

Bonny McKenzie, Cardiff, 163¼, beat Eddie Vierling, Southampton, 171, the bout being stopped in the opening round after Vierling had a large-swelling on his right eye.

▲North Staffs Sporting Club, Stoke—George Salmon, 158, drew with Brian Gregory, Doncaster, 153, over eight twos. When they met five days earlier at the same venue Salmon won on points.

Pat Brogan, Stoke, 162, outpointed Jim Moore, Bradford, 156, by 80-77½ over eight twos, not losing a round.

Roysie Francis, Manchester, 140, beat Mick Minter, Crawley, 145, the referee intervening in the fifth with Minter on the receiving end.

COMMONWEALTH RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHT

Champion
Joe Bugner (E)
1. Billy Aird (E)
2. Richard Dunn (E)
3. George Chuvalo (C)
4. Ngozika Ekwelum (N)
5. Fonomanu Sekona (T)
6. Denton Ruddock (J)
7. John L. Gardner (E)
8. Isaac Hussien (E)
9. Tony Moore (J)
10. Maule Haumon (T)

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT

Champion
Tony Mundine (A)
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2. Bunny Johnson (J)
3. Tim Wood (E)
4. Victor Attivor (G)
5. Phil Martin (E)
6. Steve Aczel (A)
7. Gary Summerhays (C)
8. Baby Boy Rolle (J)
9. Joe Vella (A)
10. Al Gattling (A)

MIDDLEWEIGHT

Champion
Monty Betham (NZ)
1. Alan Minter (E)
2. Kevin Finnegan (E)
3. Bunny Sterling (J)
4. Fernand Marcotte (C)
5. Carlos Marks (Tr)
6. Julius Lupia (Z)
7. Daniel Levesque (C)
8. Semi Bula (A)
9. Alec Tompkins (E)
10. Gerard Bouchard (C)

LIGHT-MIDDLEWEIGHT

Champion
Maurice Hope (Ant)
1. Rocky Mattioli (A)
2. Elisha Obed (Bah)
3. Jean-Claud Leclair (C)
4. Jimmy Batten (E)
5. Johnny Holt (A)
6. Ayub Kalule (Ugan)
7. Neil Pattel (A)
8. Sammy Barr (Bah)
9. Larry Paul (E)
10. Wally Carr (A)

WELTERWEIGHT

Champion
Guerrero Chavez (C)
1. Dave Green (E)
2. Clyde Gray (C)
3. John H. Stracey (E)
4. Henry Rhiney (J)
5. Steve Dennis (A)
6. Kirkland Laing (J)
7. Achille Mitchell (E)
8. Billy Waith (W)
9. Johnny Pincham (E)
10. Chris Clarke (C)

LIGHT-WELTERWEIGHT

Champion
Hector Thompson (A)
1. Martin Beni (Papua)
2. Ali Afakasi (NZ)
3. Des Morrison (J)
4. Ross Eadie (A)
5. Gaeton Hart (C)
6. Herbie McLean (S)
7. Kerry Bell (A)
8. Chris Davies (W)
9. Chris Walker (E)
10. Billy Mulholland (A)

LIGHTWEIGHT

Champion
Jonathan Dele (N)
1. Jim Watt (S)
2. Barry Michael (A)
3. Andy Broome (A)
4. Charlie Nash (I)
5. Matt Ropis (A)
6. Lachie Austin (A)
7. Colin Powers (E)
8. Johnny Claydon (E)
9. Len Blackmore (Guy)
10. Fitzroy Guiseppe (Tr)

FEATHERWEIGHT

Championship
Vacant
1. David Kotey (G)
2. Art Hafey (C)
3. Alan Richardson (E)
4. Les Pickett (W)
5. Vernon Sollas (S)
6. Merv Wockner (A)
7. Dave Needham (E)
8. Bingo Crooks (J)
9. Eddie Ndukwu (N)
10. Jeff Pritchard (W)

BANTAMWEIGHT

Champion
Sulley Shittu (G)
1. Paul Ferreri (A)
2. Paddy Maguire (I)
3. Brian Roberts (A)
4. Wayne Evans (E)
5. Paddy Graham (I)
6. Guinea Hillier (A)
7. Steve Walker (A)
8. John Kellie (S)
9. Johnny Owen (W)
10. George Sutton (W)

FLYWEIGHT

Champion
1. John McCluskey (S)
2. Charlie Brown (A)
3. Steve Bell (A)

Billy Moeller (A) is the Junior lightweight champion. There is no official contender at present.

WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Earnie Shavers kayoed Howard Smith, 2.
Leroy Jones outpointed Dino Dennis, 8.
Ira Martin beat Joey Maye, 6.
Ron Drinkwater decisioned John Warr, 8.
Randy Neuman was stopped by Ibar Arrington.
Rick Nelson kayoed Regnar Eliason, 3.
Lee Canalito stopped Mike Rogers, 2.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Vonzell Johnson halted Tony Greene, 3.
Danny Brewer halted Tom Sullivan, 7.
Carlos Prigg beat Lou Benson, 4.
Jerry Martin stopped Smokey Middleton, 8.
Johnny Wilburn kayoed Jimmy McClain, 3.
Mario Rosa beat Jose Elias, 10.
Kevin Smith kayoed Jose Morales, 1.
Mike Spinks kayoed Ed Benson, 1.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Mike Colbert outpointed Rocky Mosley Jr., 10.
David Love kayoed Bobby Watts, 4.
Johnny Sullivan beat Fred Larna, 6.
Leroy Danforth halted James Williams, 4.
Ralph Palladin stopped Mike Baker, 8.
Leo Saenz drew with Jimmy Savage, 10.
Marvin Hagler kayoed Reggie Ford, 3.
Clem Tucker beat Billy Goodwin, 6.
Milton Owens halted Rennie Pinder, 6.
Tony McMinn kayoed Mickey Banks, 10. Banks kayoed Jimmy Cook, 3, beat Rocky Matthews, 6.
Bennie Briscoe stopped Jean Mateo, 10.

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Curtis Ramsey kayoed Jimmy Ligons, 2.
Bob Patterson halted Curtis Phillips, 5.
Tony Gardner stopped Willie Carter, 3.
Joe Bonnetaz beat Emile Griffith, 10.

WELTERWEIGHTS
Floyd Mayweather defeated Miguel Barreto, 8.
Fausto Rodriguez kayoed Oscar Villarreal, 2.
Jesus Castro stopped Willy Laso, 5.
Tim Walker halted Ron Pettigrew, 6.
Mike Bullock beat Julio Garcia, 6.
Gil Rosario stopped Tony Reid, 2.
Willie Davis beat Titlo Flores, 4.
Jimmy Corkum outpointed Carlos Garcia, 8.
Kevin Dorian won from Russell Hart, 6.
Scott Clark halted Ray Sepulveda, 5.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
Mike Everett lost to Saoul Mamby, 10, kayoed by Miguel Montilla, 1.
Shengsak Muangsurin kayoed Ishmatsu Suzuki, 6, W.B.C. junior welterweight title.
Rick Folstad outpointed Al Franklin, 10.
Chuck Mitch beat Simmie Black, 6.
Leroy Haley drew with Chino Bermundez, 10.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Greg Coverson beat Jerry Kornele, 8.
Bonito Jiminez kayoed L.C. Mack, 1.
Ron Merriweather kayoed by Rufus Miller, 3.
Frank Santore stopped Joe Medrano, 2.
Bill Pearish halted Duke Garcia, 4.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Luke Erwin outpointed Billy Wade, 8.
Milciades Jiminez kayoed Iggy Villanueva, 2.
Jimmy Nelson stopped Greg Williams, 2.

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Inocencio Pena beat Ramon Santana, 10.
Richard Rozelle outpointed Jimmy Martinez, 10. Martinez beat Warren Matthews, 8.
Ruben Castillo beat Walter Seeley, 10.
Guadalupe Pinto halted Gabby Cantera, 7.
Danny Tratzinski beat Haviv Mishali, 10.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Lazaro Fabian kayoed Ramon Cabral, 7.
Leo Frias stopped Juan Sierra, 1.
Julio Solano beat Enrique Mateo, 10.
Sean O'Grady kayoed Earl Large, 9. Melvin Jameson, 1, Chango Guillen, 1.

FLYWEIGHTS
Jose Cantero beat Manuel Carrasco, 12.

ARGENTINA

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knockout in a rematch. Perez ruled his division for nearly seven years, and defeated all of the outstanding mini-mights who craved his laurels.

Past his prime, Perez eventually lost his world crown to Pone Kingpetch by decision in 1960. Perez failed in an effort to regain his precious throne as the fly's once lethal sting had lost its venom. For his lengthy reign and KO ability the tiny Spaniard was recently named an all-time great by the RING magazine.

After a brief drought, the Republic of Argentina got its second professional champion when a second flyweight, Horacio Accavello, won a portion of a disputed crown in 1967. Though never fully recognized by the governing boxing commissions, Accavello was as true a champion as many of the "double" title holders which muddle the eleven divisions in today's chaotic situation. Accavello held his partial title for two years but Alacran "Efren" Torres of Mexico was universally recognized as champion. However, Accavello possessed an impressive overall record, and deserves mention as a succesor to Perez.

Argentina acquired a viable, heavier champion when ruggedly handsome Nicolino Loche won the junior welterweight title from Paul Fuji on December 12, 1968. After several defenses, Loche lost a hard fought decision and his title to Alfonso "Peppermint" Frazer of Panama in the latter's hometown on March 10, 1972. After a winning skein of four as an ex-champion, Loche tried to regain his crown from Antonio Cervantes, who had stopped Frazer for the title.

Cervantes handed Loche his only KO loss as he pummeled the game Nicolono in nine rounds in Maracay, Columbia on March 17, 1973. Loche retired after this defeat, but has come back to remain a legitimate contender to the throne he lost. He also has begun promoting his own shows.

Argentina's fourth world champion is also a living legend. He is magnificent middleweight Carlos Monzon. The San Jairer, Santa Fe, native is a fourteen-year veteran of the ring wars and holder of the middleweight crown for nearly half of that time. Monzon's record is hard to believe. He has been champion since November 7, 1970, when he dethroned once great Nino Benvenuti in Rome via a twelve-round knockout. He repeated the feat four times as fast with a three-round icing of Benvenuti in May of 1971 and has defended the title on twelve other occasions, as well as winning five non-title engagements.

Monzon has set both longevity and defense records for the 160-pound division. Incredibly, he has not tasted defeat in twelve years and eighty-one consecutive fights! His overall record is 101-3-9, and at this writing he plans a spring defense against Philadelphia's top-ranked Bennie Briscoe. Monzon has dodged no contender and his list of victims reads like a middleweight Who's Who. Benvenuti (twice), Emile Griffith (twice), Jean-Claude Bouttier (twice;, Bennie Briscoe, Tom Bogs, Denny Moyer, Gratien Tonna, Tony Licata, Jose Napoles, Tony Mundine and Rodrigo Valdes all have fallen before the lanky body of the current middleweight king.

The Valdes victory was particularly impressive as Monzon cleared up one of the dual championed divisions, with a fifteen-round decision over the Columbian last June. At 35 years of age, it would seem that the greatest of all Argentine fighters has no more mountains to climb. This is why in recent months, Monzon the fighter has given ground to Monzon the actor. This has been the way of many boxing champions, a practice performed by Muhammed Ali and Ken Norton of America, as well.

Joining Monzon in Argentina's triple-champion dominion are Victor Galindez, light heavyweight and Miguel Angel Castellini, owner of the junior middleweight crown. Galindez is a partial champion, as was Accavello, but Victor has proven his right to be called that name by ring action. His counterpart's John Conteh, of England.

Galindez won his version of the crown by halting Michigan's Len Hutchins in thirteen rounds in Buenos Aires in 1974. Since that moment the powerful Galindez has taken countryman Jorge Ahumada, Pierre Fourie (twice), Harold Skog, Richie Kates and Kosie Smith in title engagements, and has whipped Ray Elson and Jessie Burnett in non-title affairs. Unfortunately, the one man he has not met is John Conteh, the "other" champion, but that would be too logical in solving the light heavyweight mess. He has, however, proven to be the finest at his weight yet to emerge from his continent.

One of the men Galindez eliminated was Jorge Ahumada who battled legitimate division king Bob Foster on June 17, 1974. Ringside experts thought Ahumada clearly had outpointed the great, but aging Foster. The hometown crowd even booed the draw decision which enabled their hero to retain his crown. Foster subsequently retired after the tarnish to his reputation. Ahumada fought John Conteh in a W.B.C. elimination fight and lost to the stylish Englishman via decision. Eye injuries have forced the unlucky Ahumada into retirement. He ranks second in his division only to Galindez in South American history.

Miguel Angel Castellini proved no "angel" to Jose Duran of Spain as he defeated him last year to annex a new division to Argentinian glory. His 154-pound crown is in its infancy as well, and only time will tell if Castellini is from the same mold as Monzon, Galindez and Perez.

Two other Miguels, Cuello and Campanino, may prove successors to Galindez and Castellini. They are contenders of power and guts. It will be interesting to see if the only ones who can defeat Argentinians are other Argentinians. Their history has proven that only fighters of the toughest caliber could perform such a feat in the past.

CHIAVERINI

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best young middleweights. "There isn't a harder hitting middleweight in the country," says the talkative Sher. "Just look at the NeSmith fight."

NeSmith, from Indianapolis, was Chiaverini's first heralded opponent, and the two produced the most vicious war Kansas Citians have heard about since the second big one.

"We were getting angry because we were both knocking hell out of each other and nobody was going down," Chiaverini said of the fight's early moments. "I put him down four or five times with body blows, but they didn't count them."

NeSmith finally succumbed to Chiaverini's assault in the ninth round. Ringsiders estimated that NeSmith had hit the canvas 16 times during the bout, although only three were official knockdowns.

Not that NeSmith didn't render any damage. Chiaverini was forced backward frequently during early exchanges and the action was non-stop.

The fight was so stimulating that Chiaverini's uncle fell from the balcony of Municipal Auditorium after the fight. Not to be outdone, Chiaverini's wife showered a few spectators with beer in her excitement.

"Everyone in the place stood for the entire fight," Sher said. "There wasn't a disappointed person in the arena after that fight." Except for NeSmith.

"Peyton and I wondered why a guy like NeSmith would want to come in here and fight me," Chiaverini said. "Later on we found out he was using me as a tuneup for a big fight with Sugar Ray Seales in Las Vegas. He wasn't expecting what he got."

Chiaverini was expecting more from NeSmith. "I thought he might knock me down early in the fight," he said. "But I was in a good mental state. If I am, a punch won't put me down."

Chiaverini has never been knocked off his feet as a professional. "If you're prepared the right way, mentally and physically, you can take any type of punishment you set your mind to," he said.

And while Chiaverini's face has often been a visited target, the graduate of Washburn University claims he is not the stereotyped slugger. "I don't like the stigma of taking three shots to give one," Chiaverini said. "Who likes to get hit?"

Many times Chiaverini doesn't notice contact. "When I fought Vicente Medina, he said he hit me with some good right hand shots," Chiaverini said with a grin. "It was like getting hit by a flea."

Chiaverini won a 10-round decision over Medina in December, despite injuring the knuckles on his left hand, a problem which still plagues him.

Nevertheless, Medina was impressed with his punching power. Chiaverini has knocked out 11 of the 14 foes he has beaten. He has lost two fights and had a draw in his one and one-half year career.

"Medina told me I could be the middleweight champion," Chiaverini said. "He said I could beat the best middleweights he's fought and that a lot of them couldn't take my punch."

"Fights like I had with Medina (10 rounds) do me good," he says. "But five or six more fights with somebody like Gardner wouldn't prove a thing. I could do more working in the gym."

A workout would certainly last longer. Gardner was counted out at 2:15 of the second round after absorbing a furious left hook.

"In the first round, I hit him a right and he didn't even flinch," Gardner, who has won 45 of 54 fights, 37 by knockout, said. "In the second round, I stopped moving for a second and that was it. The first thing I remembered I was on the canvas. He's the hardest puncher I've ever seen."

Chiaverini won't admit it, but he may be starting to believe the accolades. "I got big dreams, but they're in the back of my head," he said.

They usually appear during roadwork. "Sometimes I knock out Monzon (world middleweight champ Carlos) in the seventh round, other days I win a decision," Chiaverini jokes about his roadwork dreams.

Such thoughts are frequent in young fighters, but rarely realized. However, Chiaverini was aided by exposure in his quest for a title. He fought Willie Warren of Corpus Christi, Texas, recently in a televised fight from Kansas City. Chiaverini beat Warren, and Warren recently fought a draw with highly ranked Bennie Briscoe. The fight is one of the tournament promoted by Don Elbaum.

A veteran of only 8 fights, Chiaverini admits to being a little nervous about facing the middleweight division's more prominent fighters.

"I don't know what I'd do if I fought Bennie Briscoe or Emile Griffith," Chiaverini said.

Probably try to knock them out.

ROCKY MOSLEY

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unanimous decision over Ike Shipman, then ranked among the top 10 junior middleweights in the United States by RING magazine.

"He can go all the way," says Tischler, a former fighter in the New York area during the 1940s. "He's improved so much in one year. He's a quick learner because he's a natural.

"Show him a move and he does it. Because of those moves, he's no plodder or catcher. He's got the legs and they'll keep him from being hit around. But he's not afraid to mix it up. If the opportunity is there, he'll bang with you. He has no fear of any fighter. He's very self-confident."

He certainly was in the days before he took a unanimous decision over Jimmy Jackson for the Nevada State title.

"I'm gonna shake his hand and get out of there with my trophy," Mosley said. "So Jackson beat Pete Ranzany. I say, so what? Who is Ranzany? I don't know Ranzany. The only way Jackson can beat me is to kick me in the eye."

Jackson failed on both counts.

It would lend a storybook touch if Rocky had become a boxer in order to follow his father's footsteps, Roxell, Sr., but that's not quite the way it happened.

"I was interested in school and wanted to be a doctor because my grandmother told me there had never been a doctor in the family," says Rocky, Jr. "My high school counselor said I had a good chance to do it, but I ran into money problems.

"Pop says he always knew one of us kids would be a fighter, but he didn't think it would be me. He and I were talking one day and I said I was going to the YMCA and do a little boxing, so he went along and showed me a couple of things. I caught on real quick. It just came naturally. Now I know I was born to be a boxer."

It wasn't long before Junior left Senior behind. The two fought on the same card when Rocky was in his second pro fight. Rocky won by knockout. Dad was knocked out.

Rocky did copy his father in one respect—Roxell was the Nevada State middleweight champion in the mid-1950's.

Now Rocky has one title, is working toward a second and is drooling at the thought of the third and big one. But he's mature enough to temper his enthusiasm with realism. "If I lose in the tournament, it's not like everything will be gone," he says. "It wouldn't disrupt my plans. It would just mean things will take a little longer. But, I'm still young. Anyway, it's good experience and I'm getting the seasoning I need.

"When I first started, I had a one-two punch and I was quick enough to win, but as you move up and go against better guys, you learn that it takes a mind as well as a body.

"Speed helps, but it's more of a thinking game now. That's the main thing. Now I'm getting the knowledge to deal with situations in the ring and keep one step ahead of the guy I'm fighting. Now I know what to do when he does a certain thing. I wouldn't be in this tournament if I didn't."

But win or lose, Mosley will still point toward the title held by Monzon. "The time is right," says Tischler. "I think in a year, he'll be ready for Monzon. I think this kid is gonna be the world champion."

And Mosley is not about to disagree. "I know what I'm capable of and what I can do, and I just know I'm going to be champion."

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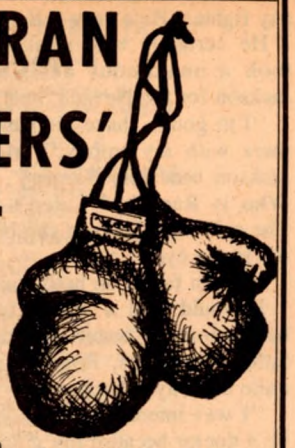
VETERAN BOXERS' BEAT



By Harry Warren

IT'S always a pleasure to see Charlie Fusari, an excellent conversationalist, always exquisitely groomed. Charlie fought many fistic greats: Tippy Larkin, Rocky Graziano, Sugar Ray Robinson, and Johnny Bratton were opponents who come to mind. The Robinson and Bratton contests were for the world title. Charlie is an account executive for Majestic Wines and Spirits Corp.

"I'm a neighbor of your's," writes Mark Hough. "Well, pal—I am working at the Dainty Cookie Shop located at 439 Commercial Ave., Palisade Park, New Jersey." What Mark seems to forget is that from where I am located in Manhattan by Central Park South, it would take me over an hour to get to the cookie shop. Mark was a tough middleweight in the 30's, who fought just about everybody, including Melio Bettina, Gus Lesnevich and also traveled to Australia and Europe where he mixed it with the champions over there. Mark is a member of VBA, Ring 8, is very active in the organization, and is very popular.

Chuck Davey, former middleweight contender, is a member of VBA, Ring 32, in Detroit, Michigan. Davey is the Chairman of the Michigan State Boxing Commission. . . . Tommy Roman, won the New Jersey state crown at 16, turned pro at 17, held his own with likes of Ambrose Logan, Freddie Archer, Joey Haddad, Pee Wee Bonito, Mickey Maker and Johnny Morrow. Tommy decisioned Fritzie Zivic over 10-rounds on October 16, 1944. Tommy has been honored by the VBA and is a member of Ring 14. He is a checker for the M.O.T. at Bayonne, New Jersey, where he resides with his wife, Nola, and four children. . . .

Carmen Roman, brother of Tommy, fought for 20-years. Among some of the name fighters he met are Lou Lombardi, Mickey Kelleher, Johnny Toye, Joey Ferrando, Johnny Pompey, Joey Costa, Teddy Watson and Herman Folins (three times.) Carmen is a longshoreman, and with his family lives on East 33rd Street, Bayonne, New Jersey.

The veteran Old-Timers of Cleveland is a new group started by ex-boxers in the state of Ohio. Four brothers, Tony, Jim, John and Charles Kelly, plus three other sets of brothers, Tony and Lenny Vaccanelli, Joe and John Gazzuolo and Andy and Tony Comai are all members. . . .

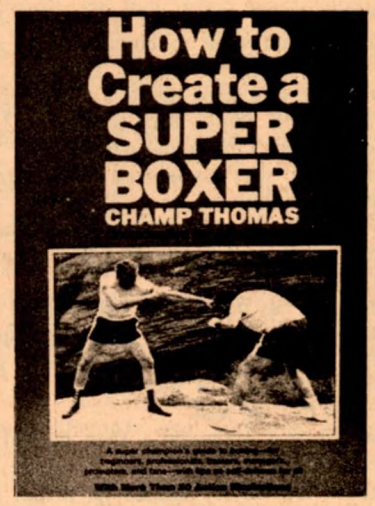
Leo Birnbaum, although known mostly because of being associated with the New York State Athletic Commission as a competant judge, was a well known welterweight fighter. Of course, his name was then Bobby Dawson and he fought many name fighters including Gene Tunney. As a tutor of boxing he led the field by teaching James J. Walker, Leslie Howard, Errol Flynn, Mike Jacobs and others too numerous to mention here. As a conditioner he looked after Harry Greb, Mike Gibbons, Paul Berlenbach, Jock McAvoy, Jack Britton, Izzy Schwartz and Cannonball Martin. Leo Birnbaum is the manager of the King's Health Center in the Pierrepont Hotel in Brooklyn. He is a member of VBA. Ring 8. . . .Did you know. . .when Patsy Spataro quit fighting in the early 1940's, he opened and operated a barbershop at 526 East 138th Street, in the Bronx, N.Y. . . .

Roy E. Allred of Fort Pierce, Florida, a retired police officer, started boxing while using the name Eddie Walsh back in 1919. He had 150 bouts before hanging up the gloves in 1927. He fought toe-to-toe with the best in those days, the likes of Mike Dundee, Sammy Mandel, Herbie Schaffer, Don Davis and Harry Leonard. . . . Babe Palecco is one of four boxing brothers, the others being Jack, Ray and Gene. In over 125 contests Babe fought every feather and lightweight of note from 1924 throu 1935. He was honored by VBA, Ring 25, and is currently bartender to Jim Doran's bar on Schyler Ave. in Kearny, N.J. . . . How about the tough Johnny Dixon of Newark, New Jersey. This boxer faced many championship calibre fighters and was managed by Jimmy Brienza, who also was a local promoter. He got around to boxing from flyweight to lightweight. Willie LaMorte, Bobby Wolgast, Sammy Seiger, Mickey Delmont, Benny Bass, Petie Mack, Larry Reagan, and Irish Bobby Brady Dixon. Johnny Dixon resides in Newark with his family. . . .

A member of the New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame is William "Young" Gradwell. Bill was born in Bolton, England, on August 9, 1893. He arrived in America with his parents in 1903, settling at Falls River, Massachusetts. For 16 years he was a pro fighter, during which time he engaged in 200 bouts as a lightweight and welterweight. Gradwell fought in Canada, Australia, England, and all over the United States. He holds decisions over the best fighters in the world at his time: Leach Cross, Solider Bartfield, Phil Bloom, Peter Hartley (3 times), Harry Kid Brown, Tommy Uren, Ad Wolgast, Benny Leonard, Young Driscoll, and Mickey Walker to name a few. Settling in Newark, Gradwell became an iron worker after retiring from boxing. He married a Physical Education teacher and moved to 77 Elmont Place, Colonia, New Jersey. . . .

Angelo Sinito, a fight buff who this writer has met at numerous VBA events, is a member of VBA, Ring 8 and Paul Berlenbach's Ring 21, of Brooklyn. He also is a member of the World Boxing Historian's Association. Angelo has come up with a list that he compiled of former boxers who came out of East Harlem, New York. 127 names in all, which include Danny Carrabello, Joe Scagni, Phil, Frankie, Jack Terranova, Mark Hough, Marty Sampson, Harry Balsamo, Al Guido, Charlie Phil Rosenberg, Leonard del Genio and Maxie Rosenbloom. . . .

Boxing's old-timers are kept busy attending all the dinners and banquets invariably in their honor throughout the country. Two former champions were honored recently at the Fresno Boxing Hall of Fame, namely Fidel LaBarba and Jackie Fields. The International Boxing and Wrestling Shrine, presided by former fistic luminary Lou Nova, honored several boxing greats: Ceferino Garcia, Bobo Olson, Young Corbett 3rd, Lew Jenkins, to name a few. The Shrine headquarters is at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel, in tinseltown. . . . Former welter king Jimmy McLarnin was honored by the Caulifower Alley Club, another Hollywood, California, based veterans group, a very hard working charitable organization that assist ex-fighters.



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JUAN HIDALGO

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the problem of economics which his migrating family was beginning to experience. Brother Dario's activity was curtailed due to recurrent eye problems, and the Hidalgo family was behind in their rent. Dario respected his kid brother's ability and advised him to turn pro. He gave him support and guided his early preparation for paid competition. The ambitious kid could no longer await the 1976 Olympic trials. His heart was broken, but the need for bread and butter dictated his next set of moves.

In December of 1974, Juan turned pro and brightened his family's Christmas that year. In a scheduled six rounder, because Promoter Chris Dundee thought he was too good to start in four round competition, Juan was matched against Jerry Powers, a rugged lightweight who claimed over two hundred outings. The young Hidalgo entered the ring with a fur trimmed robe with bold letters on the back reading "JUAN HIDALGO," as if to say, "I'm Juan Hidalgo and if you don't know of my previous exploits, then watch me from here on out." Dr. Ferdie Pacheco, of Muhammad Ali fame, was in Juan's corner, as he has been ever since, and so was Dario. The pride shone on his brother's face. Juan boxed the veteran Powers in a cool fashion and methodically cut him down in three rounds. His offense as impressive while he defended himself against the dangerous looping power swings of Powers. His professional career had been launched successfully, as he satisfied an army of followers to steal the thunder at the Miami Beach Auditorium that night.

Juan Hidalgo became an immediate hit with Miami Beach fight followers. Promoter Chris Dundee used him whenever an opponent could be lined up. During 1975 he fought 12 times to bring his record to 13-0-0, with 10 KO's. He did everything asked of him. He is one of the more disciplined boxers working out at the Miami Beach Fifth Street Gym, and has demonstrated improvement with each contest. He is a cool calculating artist inside the ring. He is a slick, smooth moving boxer with a damaging punch in either hand. He has speed to spare as he accurately connects with combination blows.

Filled with a burning desire to succeed, Hidalgo finds humiliation comes hard. About midway in 1975, the current lightweight champion of the world, Roberto Duran, drifted into town, as many name fighters are prone to do when they seek a change in environment to train for short periods. Duran, famed for his "hands of stone" and one of the great champions of modern times, donned his training togs and asked for sparring partners. Hidalgo, with merely a dozen bouts behind him, volunteered to serve. From the bell, Duran acted like he was defending his title. He ruffled Juan's feathers, but the kid fought him in toe-to-toe exchanges. The champ was hurting the youngster and poured on the leather in view of all the other fighters who had stopped their own workouts to watch the champion against the confident kid from Santo Domingo. The youngster was unable to understand the torrid action of the world champion. There was a heated exchange of words. Juan showed his resentment. The champ shrieked back as Hidalgo invited him back in two years when he promised he would be ready for him in real ring action. Thus was formed another in a string of ambitions timetables for Juan Hidalgo.

A natural lightweight, Juan has the torso development of a 147 pounder. His trainer, Luis Sarria, claims he gets stronger by the day. He is a tall lightweight and uses his excellent left jab with artistic deftness. He has lost all the crudeness of his amateur days as he makes every punch count. He has a versatile attack as he connects to head and body. His outstanding victories to date have been against Rocky Orengo, who he stopped in the 7th round, and Jose (Speedy) Gonzales, who Juan beat in 10, for his 13th straight without a loss.

Manager Angelo Dundee, famed for the ring achievements Muhammad Ali made under his guidance plus the development of more world champions than any of his contemporaries, is supremely confident of Hidalgo's rise in stature. "He is the finest looking prospect I have had in the past ten years. I'm very excited about this kid. He is the complete pro."

Angelo leaves little doubt regarding the unlimited possibility of upward progress his protege will experience. "One of the great features of Hidalgo is his coolness under fire. He is the completely relaxed athlete. No big show of nerves, a real businessman in the ring. He doesn't hit the panic button. He is easy to handle and very happy in his chosen field of endeavor. This kid is going to lead the pack. I don't know which class he will dominate at this time. It may be as a lightweight, a junior welterweight or perhaps the welterweights, but in a couple of years, we are going to win a title because this boy has everything."

Born August 20, 1957, in Santo Domingo, the 18 year old Hidalgo was only 15 when migrating to the United States. Today, as a resident of his adopted country, he lives with his mother and sister in Miami and dreams of the day he can upgrade his family's lifestyle. Denizens of the Dominican Republic fight beat follow Juan's progress ardently, out of sight, but not of mind. He has reached the main-event status at Miami Beach Convention Hall and has a long string of avid followers on the Hidalgo bandwagon. It becomes obvious, when observing young Hidalgo's every effort, that his primary intention is to ride to the top, bringing to fruition the dreams others have for him.

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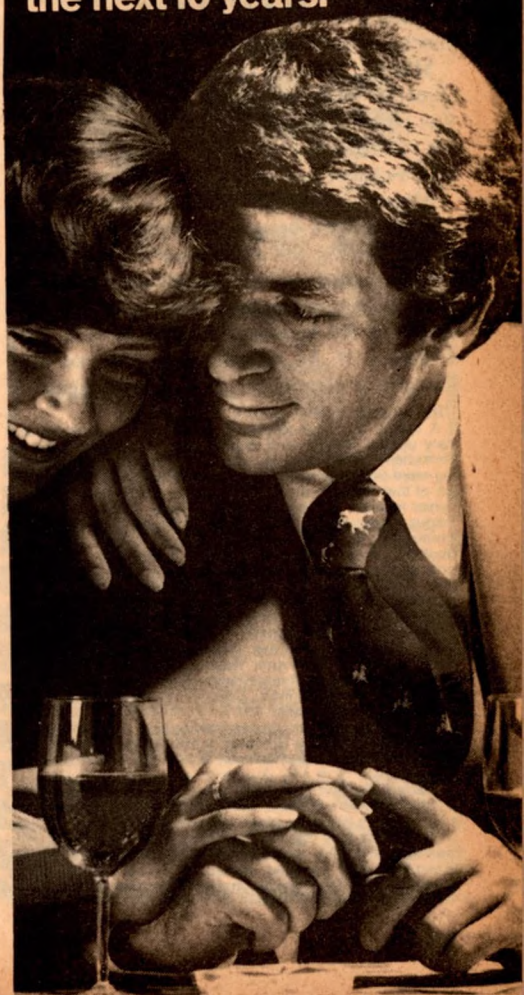

ACTION IN EUROPE

By JACK A. TREE

Harris Beats EBU 160 King, Minter

BERLIN — French promoter Jean Bretonell came up with a show at the Pavillon de Paris after a break of six months. The tax increase in France from 25% to 47% on boxing shows was said to be the reason for Bretonell's temporary lack of interest. His recent Pavillon bill featured a scheduled ten rounder between American Benny Briscoe and local matador Jean Mateo, but only 2,000 were present. Those who stayed away missed a tremendous battle between two tough guys who gave everything they had and knew nothing of the word "surrender."

When the bell sounded for the tenth, the fighters left their corners, but before a punch could be thrown the third man sent Briscoe back and halted the fight. 27-year-old Mateo could only see out of one eye at this stage, both eyebrows were cut and his forehead was lacerated. The Frenchman claimed his cuts were the result of Briscoe's head, but although the American did frequently come forward with his head low, it was Briscoe's punches that caused the real damage.

Mateo, who was brave to the end, objected to the stoppage, but although he was perhaps only a couple of points behind, the risk was too great for a sane official to take a chance and let the bout go on.

Mateo, a year ago looked a future world champion until he was sensationally stopped in two rounds when he faced Gratien Tonna for the latter's French middleweight title. Now having to accept this bitter taste of defeat at the hands of Bennie Briscoe, one wonders if he should not give serious thought to retirement. Too many defeats of this nature could prove dangerous.

A couple of dozen foreigners based on the continent are very useful fighters and should they at anytime take up permanent residence in the country where they are campaigning more than half would be a threat to the European champion of their division. In France there's: Loucif Hamani, Algiers, (junior middle); Jo Kimpuani, Zaire, (Junior welter) and Carlos Foldes Venezuala, (lightweight). In Spain: Alfredo Evangelista, (heavyweight) from Uruguay; Adolfo Osses, Panama, (feather); Jose Hernandez Cornejo, El Salvador, (Bantam); and Marcos Paperito Jiminez, Uruguay, (Junior welter). In Italy: Norberto Cabrera, Argentina, (Middle); Everaldo Costa Azevedo, Brazil, and Mario Guilloto, Argentina, (Welterweights); Juan Antonio Merlo, Argentina, and Oscar Aparicio, El Salvador (junior wleters); Ceferino Morales, Argentina, (light) and Helenio Ferreira, Brazil, (Bantamweight). In Germany, Ngozika Ekwellum, Nigeria, (heavy). In Denmark, Junior middleweight Ayub Kalule, Uganda. In Luxembourg, welter Clemente Tshinza, Zaire. In Holland, welterweight Frank Albertus, Curacao.

Any of these fighters issued with a local passport allowing them to compete for a European crown would immediately be included among the first ten men of their respective division in Europe.

Germany's last European heavyweight champion was Jurgen Blin who reigned in 1972. Bernd August flopped when his turn came last year, losing to Briton Richard Dunn in three rounds when they met for the vacant title. Now a new face has arrived in the professional ranks, 20-year-old George Butzbach, who has just scored his fourth victory at the expense of ex-heavyweight champion Hartmut Sasse, whom he KOed in the third. He moves well and looks the part, but opposition has not been stiff. Butzbach first put on the gloves at the age of twelve, and as an amateur lost on six of his seventy-eight contests. Unfortunately for Butzbach there are only two boxers in Germany left for him to beat, champion Kurt Ludecke and Bernd August. A win over these two would probably see him rushed into a European title bout for which he is not ready.

The German heavyweight division has provided 75 title fights and 28 champions. Nine Germans won the European crown: Heini Mueller (1931), Arno Kolblin (1937), Adolf Heuser (1939), Max Schmeling (1939), Hein ten Hof (1951), Heinz Neuhaus (1952), Karl Mildenberger (1964), Peter Weiland (1969) and Jurgen Blin (1972).

Former world featherweight champion Eugene Criqui of France died on March 7 at the age of 83. Eugene won the crown on June 2, 1923, in New York, knocking out Johnny Kilbane, USA, but reigned for only fifty four days losing to Frank Dundee on points.

Britain's Terry Gardner, who reigned as European flyweight champion in 1952, recently died at the age of 57. Terry won the crown knocking out Louis Skena, France, in six rounds at Newcastle on 18.2.52. Gardner made successful defenses against Terry Allen (GB) and Otello Belardinelli, Italy, before vacating the crown later in the year because of weight difficulties.

It is surprising the few promoters and managers in Europe who take the trouble to write to me with news of their boxers. It is beneficial to all fighters on the continent to get their fight results in this magazine. It costs just a postage stamp. Let me know what's happening in your stable. Just drop me a line at Streitstrasse 55, I Berlin 20, Germany.

At Brescia Natale Vezzoli of Italy, held on to his European junior lightweight title stopping Frenchman Albert Amatler, who was taken out of the fight in round eleven with a cut eye. The laceration to his left eye in the third was indeed a handicap, but he still proved to be a worthy challenger. Vezzoli won the crown beating Roland Cazeaux on September 24 last year, and has since made a defense against Domingo Giminez. The junior lightweight division has provided 19 title fights and six champions.

BELGIUM

▲**Grivegnee** — Welterweight. Jean Simos beat Alfred Fries, TKO8. Richard Rodriguez outscored Chaid Ringo, six. Heavyweight. Al Syben beat Lassine Niare, TKO6.

▲**La Roeulx** — Junior middleweight. Maurice Bufi outscored Tony Baleta, six.

▲**Hamme** — Heavyweight. Rudi Gauwe and Jean Belval drew their six rounder. Junior middleweight. Julian van Damme outscored Guido Beuselinck, six.

▲**Rebecq Rognon** — Welterweight. Ben Mimoun outscored Jean Claude Vanderbreght, TKO2.

▲**Antwerp** — Lightweight. Miguel Moleda, Spain, knocked out Rudi Haeck, Belgium, in the first round. Welterweight. Dirk Declerk, Belgium, knocked out Manuel Trujillo, Spain, with a hook downstairs in round three.

FRANCE

▲**Creil** — Junior lightweight. Gerard Jacob beat Gabriel Lamperti, TKO7. Middleweight. Marc Petit outscored Kabangu, six. Featherweight. Jean Jacques Souris beat Mohaned Knani, TKO2.

▲**Paris** — Junior welterweight. Jean Baptiste Piedvache outscored Oscar Aparicio, ten.

▲**Paris** — Junior middleweight. Gilbert Cohen outscored Walter Guerneiri, ten.

▲**Melun** — Middleweight. Jean Mateo beat Rocky Halliday, TKO4.

▲**St. Quentin** — Middleweight. Gratien Tonna beat Pabio Rodriguez, KO1. Light heavyweight. Eric Kopec beat Bernard Artone, TKO1.

▲**Dunkirk** — Junior welterweight. Joe Kimpuani decisioned welterweight Billy Waith, ten. Welterweight. Luigi Renda beat Jean Dercle, KO5.

▲**Villeurbanne** — Lightweight. Andre Holyk outscored Ceferino Morales, ten. Welterweight. Juan Merlo beat Kid Bukasa, TKO4.

▲**Rheims** — Junior middleweight. Michel Chapier beat Charley Cooper (GB) who was counted out in round ten. The Briton hurt his shoulder in the ninth.

▲**Saint Quentin** — Gratien Tonna, holder of the French middleweight title, beat Puerto Rican Pablo Rodriguez in one minute and fifteen seconds with a right hook to the head.

▲**Lyons** — French lightweight champion Andre Holyk closely outscored Argentinian Cesarino Morales over eight rounds. Holyk took two standing counts in round four.

▲**Paris** — Middleweight. Bennie Briscoe beat Jean Mateo, TKO10. Middleweight. Peter Assundoh beat Jules Bellaiche, France, TKO5. Junior lightweight. Claude Lormeau beat Hugh Smith, KO4. Junior welterweight. Gilbert Cohen decisioned Michel Chapier, ten.

▲**Dunkirk** — Welterweight. Mickey Ryce, of Great Britain, beat Guy Vercoutter, who was taken out of the fight in round two after being decked twice. Junior welterweight. Dan M'Putu, Zaire, based in France, decisioned Welshman, Chris Davies, six.

▲**St. Malo** — Claude Martin, France, outscored Briton junior middleweight John Smith, ten.

ITALY

▲**Fasano** — Welterweight. Guido Galletti beat Vittorio Tamburrini, TKO3.

▲**Milan** — Guiseppe Corbo won a junior welterweight competition outscoring Gian Piero Bertuzzi, four. In the prelims Carbo decisioned Salvatore Bonavita over four rounds, and Bertuzzi decisioned Alfonso Bonavita over the same distance. Heavyweight. Rinaldo Pellizzari beat Demba Coulbally, KO1. Featherweight. Giovanni Camputo outscored Gavino Luciano, six.

▲**Vigevano** — Luigi Tessarin won the vacant Italian bantamweight title outscoring Teodoro Corallo, twelve. Welterweight. Angelo Provenzaro beat Guiseppe Pappalardo, TKO5.

▲**Pesaro** — Junior middleweight. Luigi Minchillo outscored Mario Favotto, six. Featherweight. Salvatore Meluzzo beat Jean Pierre Planque, KO6.

▲**Brescia** — European junior lightweight champion Natale Vezzoli, Italy, beat Albert Amatler, France, who was forced to retire with a cut eye in round eleven.

SPAIN

▲**Miranda de Elbro** — Fernando Sanchez retained his Spanish junior welterweight title beating Fernando Perez, KO9. Junior lightweight Rodolfo Sanchez beat Francisco Larxe, KO2.

▲**Almeira** — Lightweight. Manuel Masso outpointed Antonio Rodriguez, eight. Featherweight. Jose Luis Rodriguez decisioned Pedro Robles, eight. Welterweight. Jose Lopez Barrilado decisioned Raul Anon, eight.

▲**Bilbao** — Welterweight. Horacio Ruiz, Spain, decisioned Jacques van Mallaerts, the French champion, over eight rounds.

NORWAY

▲**Chateau** — Spanish lightweight champion Jeronimo Lucas beat 31-year-old Svein Erik Paulsen, Norway, in six rounds. Former junior lightweight champion Paulsen hurt the Spaniard in the fifth, and Lucas took a standing count. In the sixth a right landed on Paulsen's jaw and he went out like a light. Light heavyweight. Harold Skog, Norway, drew his eight rounder with Jose Inguez, Spain.

HOLLAND

▲**Amsterdam** — German Bernd August, who less than three months ago lost his heavyweight title to Kurt Ludecke being KOed in three rounds, made a sensational comeback halting Dutchman Hennie Thoonen in the third of their scheduled ten rounder.

SWITZERLAND

▲**Geneva** — Welterweight. Walter Blaser beat Manuel Alcala, TKO5.

YUGOSLAVIA

▲**Vehenje Slovenia** — In a non-title affair, European light heavyweight champion Mate Parlov, Yugoslavia, outscored Christian Poncelet, France, over ten rounds.

GERMANY

▲**Berlin** — German welterweight Jorge Eipel (19) had his first taste of defeat losing on points to the Luxembourg based Clemente Tshinza, Zaire, over eight rounds. Tshinza substituted for Frenchman Daniel Martin who fell sick. Eipel was said to be suffering from a cold. The German had lost one and drawn one of his 16 fights.

Junior middleweight champion Frank Wissenbach (20) Germany, outscored the rated Juarez de Lima (33), Brazil, over eight rounds. De Lima has been boxing for 13 years and has fought in Madrid, Lisbon, Marseille, Rome, Copenhagen and Paris.

Turk lightweight Ethem Ozakalin, 14 wins, D1, lost 1, outscored Hamburg-based Italian Vito Triassi over four rounds. Triassi was making his professional debut. As an amateur he won 42 of his 46 fights.

Jacques Chinon, Luxembourg, outscored the Berlin based Turk Mehmed Besli, over four rounds.

▲**Bremen** — Middleweight. Georg Steinherr TKO3 over Josef Kossmann. Welterweight. Frank Albertus, Curacao, beat

Luciano de Luca, TKO3. Middleweight. Rene Zeller outscored Klaus Klein, four rounds. Middleweight. Jean Andre Emmerich outpointed Marian Solomone, eight. Middleweight. Frank Reiche beat Damiano Lasandro of Italy, KO5. Heavyweight. German champion Kurt Ludecke beat Andre Bukassa, Luxembourg, who was disqualified in the third. Heavyweight. George Butzbach beat Gerd Rings, KO1.

▲Saarlouis — A crowd of 1,500 saw Germany's new heavyweight hope George Butzbach win his fourth professional fight KOing ex-German heavyweight champion Hartmut Sasse with only seventeen seconds gone of the third. Junior welterweight. Alfred Fries outscored Mans, Austria, over four rounds. Heavyweight. Oburobe, Zaire, decisioned Horst Lembke, Germany, six. Middleweight. George Steinherr beat Arpad Majai, Hungary, LO2. Middleweight. Charley Schulz (19) beat Josef Heukeshoven, KO2. Schulz was amateur champion of Luxembourg in 1976 and had over 70 fights before turning professional. Junior lightweight. Josè A. Rios from Puerto Rico, and based in Berlin, beat 42-year-old Boualem Belouard, TKO3, who was born in Algiers, but now is living in Hamburg.

▲Cologne — Fewer than 1,500 saw a bill in Cologne which featured a ten rounder between Avenamar Peralta, Spain, and Gregory Downes, Barbados, based in Berlin. Downes was forced to retire with a cut left eyelid in the interval to round eight. Downes until this stage had given the veteran Peralta a hard fight.

Welterweight. Hans Huber outscored fellow German Joachim Trautwein over four rounds. Junior welterweight. Horst Brinkmeier outpointed Mechlia, France, six. Light heavyweight. Louis Pergaud Ngatchou, the Berlin based African, now having his second professional fight, beat Antonio Riniasti (33), Italy, KO1.

ENGLAND

▲London — Any hope Alan Minter, Britain, had of facing world middleweight king Carlos Monzon for a title shot was dashed when referee Sid Nathan refused to let Minter leave his stool for round nine in his fight against Ronnie Harris, Ohio.

Harris outboxed and outpunched Minter from the opening rounds, scoring often with a sharp right jab. Minter's left eye was cut in the third round and continued to swell and finally close at the time of the stoppage.

The Briton did his best, pressing forward and shaking Harris a couple of times with left hooks to the jaw, but by the eighth round, Harris was clearly in control and Minter could only absorb punishment.

At the time of the bout with Harris, Minter was slated to defend his European title against Rudi Koopmans in Rodderdam in early May, but it is probable that that fight will be put off to allow Minter time to properly recover from the severe punishment he received.

COETZEE RETAINS TITLE

By ED CLARK

JOHANNESBURG. Gerrie Coetzee retained his heavyweight title at Wembley Stadium by stopping Pierre Fourie in the third round on a knockout. Fourie jumped up claiming he was "up" but referee Stan Christodoulou declared the fight over. 22,000 fans saw Coetzee fight, but Coetzee should have been disqualified for the number of infringements he committeed. Coetzee got four warnings for holding and hitting, wrestling Fourie to the canvas, hitting behind the head and Fourie claimed that Coetzee's elbow caught him just before Fourie went down in the third.

Coetzee with the advantage in height, weight, and reach used rough-house tactics against the former light heavyweight world title contender.

In the first round Coetzee pushed Fourie to the canvas then launched a vicious attack that drove Fourie across the ring. He hit Fourie behind the head then another smashing right to the head really shook Fourie. Coetzee was made to miss often in the second and Fourie was scoring with the left jab and also a short left, but the blows lacked power. The third began with Fourie using the same pattern leading with the left and retreating. The Coetzee threw a flurry of blows and they were connecting, elbow, behind the head with Fourie crouching lower and lower in the corner. Coetzee continued hitting Fourie who was almost touching the canvas with his hands when the referee pushed Coetzee away and started the count. At the count of "10" Fourie rose protesting he had made it but to no avail.

Coetzee was booed by a large section of the crowd for his rough display, and Fourie, who was cheered, announced his retirement from the ring. Fourie had four chances at the world light heavyweight title, two against Bob Foster and two against Victor Galindez. Many thought he won the first Galindez encounter, but now the idol of S.A. boxing is retired.

Gert Craemer decisioned Smiley Giesing, 6, middleweights; Wiets de Beer outpointed Peet Marx, 4, light heavyweights; Thornton Oakes outscored Hardy Mileham, 4, junior welters; Bushy Bester TKO'd Phillip van As, 2, welters; Johan de Beer outscored Thys Kotze, 4, middleweights; Jan BenekeTKO'd Gerrie Koekemoer, 4, junior middles.

▲CAPE TOWN. (March 28, 1977) At the Weizmann Hall, Sea Point about 900 fight starved Cape fans saw local boy Freddie Rust KO Johan Burger in the eighth round in a featherweight title eliminating bout. Rust came from behind to connect with a left and right to the jaw and Burger dropped to take the full count. Burger was also down for the mandatory count in the first round, but Burger began to use his boxing ability and won all the rounds with the exception of the fifth, which was even. His speed and power punching gained him the ascendancy and right hooks buckled Rust but Rust won the day with the startling finish.

Les Baker had a clear victory as he won seven of the eight rounds against unbeaten Andre Rheeders from Durban. Baker has had a long layoff, but employed the right tactics against southpaw Rheeders, but showed disdain for Rheeders in dropping his hands and inviting Rheeders to take shots at him.

Bobby Neil KO'd Johnny Greb, 2, light heavyweights; Wentzel Marais decisioned Rick Ainsley, 4, welters; Reg Peters won on a third round TKO when Mike Jacoby ran out of gas, feathers; Brother Leon Jacoby TKO'd Gielie Truter, 4, welters.

▲PORT ELIZABETH. Results from tournament held at Centenary Hall. Loyiso Mtya KO'd Terrance Makaluza, 10, Junior middleweights; Thozamile Yako decisioned Andile Tywabi, 8, bantams; Pinki Dlala and Nkululeku Sandi drew 6, feathers; Philip Masemola outscored Fezile Maki, 6, junior welters; James Boltina outpointed Ntsokolo Songongo, 6, junior welters; Siphiwo Gaika outscored Mziwonke Jodwana, 6, flyweights.

▲EAST LONDON. Mzukisi Skweyiya retained his S. African black bantam weight title outpointing Richard Modise over 12 round at the Mdantsane Stadium.

Other results: Guy Ratazayo decisioned Jacob Morake, 8, junior lightweights; Bramley Whiteboy outpointed Moses Mashigo, 6, catchweight; Rueben Matewu TKO'd Alfred Mphake, 5, flyweight; Emmanuel Gumede and Griffiths Mgijima drew 6, welters; Daluxolo Tyekana decisioned Mxolisi Mpama, 4, bantams.

EUROPEAN RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
* Jean Pierre Coopman (B)
1. Lucien Rodriguez (F)
2. Lorenzo Zanon (I)
3. Alfio Righetti (I)
4. Kurt Ludecke (G)
5 Bernd August (G)
6. Henny Thoonen (H)
7. Jose Urtain (S)
8. Dante Cane (I)
9. Alfredo Evangelista (S)
10. Rudi Lubbers (H)

JUNIOR MIDDLES
* Maurice Hope (GB)
1. Eckhard Dagge (G)
2. Rocky Mattioli (I)
3. Frank Wissenbach (G)
4. Joel Bonnetaz (F)
5. Jose Duran (S)
6. Dum Dum Pacheco (S)
7. Mimoun Mohatar (S)
8. Claude Martin (F)
9. Josef Pachler (A)
10. Vincent Ungaro (I)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
* Perico Fernandez (S)
1. Giancarlo Usai (I)
2. Vincenzo Burgio (I)
3. Antonio Puddu (I)
4. Vincenzo Quero (I)
5. Fernand Roelands (B)
6. Andre Holyk (F)
7. Jeronimo Lucas (S)
8. Alonso San Miguel (S)
9. Giancarlo Barabotti (I)
10. Jeronimo Lucas (S)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
* Mate Parlov (Yugo)
1. Domenico Adinolfi (I)
2. Aldo Traversaro (I)
3. Francois Fiol (Switz)
4. Robert Amory (F)
5. Harold Skog (N)
6. Avenamar Peralta (S)
7. Ennio Cometti (I)
8. Onelio Grando (I)
9. Christian Poncelet (F)
10. Freddy DeKerpel (B)

WELTERWEIGHTS
* Marco Scano (I)
1. Luciano Borracia (I)
2. Toni Ortiz (S)
3. Jacques van Mellaerts (F)
4. Jesus Rodriguez de la Rosa (S)
5. Horacio Ruiz (S)
6. Jorgen Hansen (D)
7. Tomasso Marocco (I)
8. Vittorio Conte (I)
9. Alain Ruocco (F)
10. Vittorio Conte (I)

JUNIOR LIGHTS
* Natale Vezzoli (I)
1. Antonio Guinaldo (S)
2. Georges Cotin (F)
3. Roland Cazeaux (F)
4. Carlos Hernandez (S)
5. Manuel Llata (S)
6. Salvatore Liscapade (I)
7. Ramon Garcia Marichal (S)
8. Rodolfo Sanchez (S)
9. Mario Redi (I)
10. Albert Amateir (I)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
* Alan Minter (GB)
1. Gratien Tonna (F)
2. Vito Antuofermo (I)
3. Jean Mateo (F)
4. Rudi Koopmans (H)
5. Germano Valsecchi (I)
6. Angelo Jacopucci (I)
7. Frank Reiche (G)
8. Jules Bellaiche (F)
9. Mario Romersi (I)
10. Poul Knudsen (D)

JUNIOR WELTERS
* Dave Green (GB)
1. Jean Baptiste Piedvache (F)
2. Primo Bandini (I)
3. Efisio Pinna (I)
4. Fernando Sanchez (S)
5. Jean Saadli (F)
6. Angelo Fanciulli (I)
7. Jean Pierre Younsi (F)
8. Claude Lormeau (F)
9. Walter Blaser (Switz)
10. Giuseppe Russi (I)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
* Pedro Nino Jiminez (S)
1. Cecilio Lastra (S)
2. Elio Cotena (I)
3. Isidoro Cabeza (S)
4. Guy Caudron (F)
5. Michele Siracusa (F)
6. Pasqualino Morbidelli (I)
7. Natale Caredda (I)
8. Sergio Emili (I)
9. Salvatore Melluzzo (I)
10. Michel Lefebvre (F)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
* Franco Zurio (I)
1. Salvatore Fabrizio (I)
2. Jacky Bihin (F)
3. Daniel Trioulaire (F)
4. Luigi Tessarin (I)
5. Pedro Molledo (S)
6. Teodoro Corallo (I)
7. Fernando Bernardez (S)
8. Angel Oliver (S)
9. Juan Francisco Rodriguez (S)
10. Claudio Tanda (I)

FLYWEIGHTS
* Franco Udella (I)
1. Fritz Chervet (Switz)
2. Franco Sperati (I)
3. Emilio Pireddu (I)
4. Franco Buglione (I)
5. Mariano Garcia (S)
6. Manuel Carrasco Hernandez (S)
7. Jose Cantero (S)
8. Christian Martin (F)
9. Daniel Charvet (F)
10. Sante Medici (I)

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MACCABIAH GAMES

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he emulated those he worshipped like Benny Leanord, Johnny Clinton, Charlie Rosen, Sid Terris and Benny Valgar. He followed their footsteps but failed to make it like they did and his only consolation is that he tried.

Since training other kids and refereeing seemed like a natural vent for easing a stored-up love for the game, Cy remained in that area. He was adept at it because he knew every facet of the sport. He never passed up an invitation to aid in any community effort covering the field he knew best. In addition to serving as guest referee in various countries, Cy has acted as arbitor for five world title bouts, but the role Cy enjoys the most is the assistance he gives to the U.S. Maccabiah Boxing Team every four years. Gottfried has participated in four series of the games, from 1961 to 1973. He watches the kids from 27 different lands who had been strangers to each other when they arrived, compete fiercely, then grow united as they kindle the spirit of friendship. Though he managed the 1973 Boxing Team which claims a new record of victories, Cy may have established a personal record on a previous occasion. During the 1969 games he served as an offical at the boxing matches. He noticed that there was an acute shortage of skilled trainers and handlers in the tiny country. Though he shared the refereeing chores with Ben Brill of Amsterdam, Cy was solicited by visiting fighters to guide them during combat. He was unable to resist the plea. On one show, Cy disqualified himself as a ring official and pitched in to handle fighters in three events. Fighting their hearts out with Cy in their corners, each went home with a medal. While the Israelis captured the team championship in the boxing events after 29 vigorously fought contests, there were at least three boys, thousands of miles apart, who reserved a bit of fondness for Cy Gottfried.

For the 1977 games, Dr. Ben Becker steps up as Chairman of the U.S. Boxing Team. Ed Silverglade will serve as Manager, while A. J. "Biff" Holstein of the Richfield Boxing Club in Minneapolis, has been named Head Coach, and Victor Zimet of Valley Stream, New York, his assistant. Chairman of the Boxing Finance Committee, which is responsible for raising funds specifically for the support of the Boxing Team, is Dr. Max Novich.

Judging from the applications which have been received at Selection Committee headquarters for membership on the U.S. Boxing Team to compete in the 1977 International Tenth Maccabiah Games, Dr. Ben Becker looks ahead with encouragement. Most candidates show plenty of AAU and Golden Glove experience and nearly all the ten weight divisions should be represented.

The candidates with high marks are Jody Golub, 126, New York City; Bruce Woolf, 139, Teaneck, New Jersey; Larry Hirsch, 139, Westerly, Rhode Island; Bruce Strauss, Omaha, Nebraska; Hilton Cohen, 147, Melville, New York; Kenny Klingman, 156, Miami, Florida; Joel Katz, 156, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Terry Chodosh, 165, Carteret, New Jersey; Bruce Lipton, 165, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Robert Burg, 165, Natich, Massachusetts; Alan Leavitt, 165, Evanston, Illinois; Neil Roland, 178, New York City; Stephen Golden, heavyweight, Shoreview, Minnesota; and Mitchell Fox, heavyweight, Williamsville, New York. Each country is permitted to enter only one competitor for each weight category.

STOKES WINS, LOSES

By Frank Allnutt

TORONTO — In the lone pro bout held on a pro-am card, Danny Stokes of Toronto, 130, had an easy time in stopping Jerry Strickland, billed out of Ohio at 139. The bout was halted in the third round.

▲WINNIPEG — Boxing returned to this city after an absence of five years. In a card held at the Convention Centre which drew a reported 4,000 fans, Ricky Furlano of Toronto, 127, stopped Danny Stokes, Toronto, 129¾, at 2:40 of the eighth round.

Horst Geisler, 271, Toronto, scored a KO over James Anthony, 206, Indianapolis, at 1:50 of the third. George Jerome, 216½, Vancouver, won a unanimous decision over Bob Patterson, 204, Seattle, in an eight-rounder. Over six rounds, Robert Bath, 131½, Toronto, and Barton Robinson, 133½, Indianapolis, boxed a draw.

▲CALGARY — Over ten rounds heavyweight Earl McLeay pounded out a decision over George Jerome (Vancouver). Over eight rounds Al Ford (Edmonton) won a unanimous decision over Nick Alfaro (Tucson) at the lightweight limit.

▲MONTREAL — For the record books, the boxer that stopped Bonifacio Avila in Montreal on the recent card was not, as named, Percy Halsey of New York. The boxer in question was Len Harden of New Jersey who is now under suspension by the Montreal Athletic Commission for obtaining a boxing license under false pretense. The license issued to him by the Montreal Commission has now been revoked.

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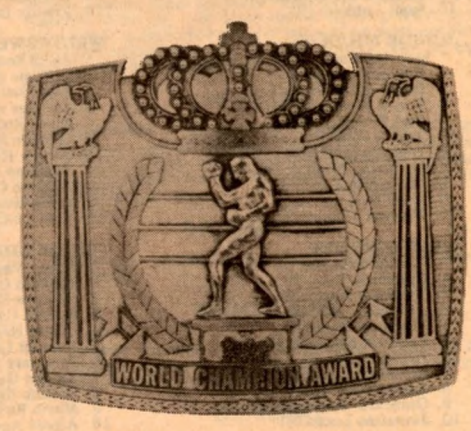

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JO PACHLER

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shows no mercy for himself or his antagonist. Even experts like Max Stadtlander, former manager of Papp, are amazed at now he rolls over his opponents. Max describes him as a danger to every welterweight because of his unorthodox style, which he changes at will. He does best at infighting. When boxed at a distance, the man from Kartner does not show to advantage. And though may not look as pretty in the ring as Orsolics, Europe may well have a new champion in the making. as negotions get under way for a bout in May in Villach, Karnten, with Marco Scano.

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BACKUS BEATS BARRIENTES

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ter with a good right in the third.

In the fourth Davis, again throwing the damaging leather, dropped Stewart with a flurry of the ropes. Referee Tommy Holmes stopped it as Stewart was absorbing a little too much. Stewart now 13-3.

In a special 8 rounder Hal T.N.T. Carroll, made his first appearance since last July and promptly responded with a unanimous win over Joe Maye, of Hartford, Connecticut. Carroll, at 181, dominated the action with his quicker punches against the heavier Maye at 198.

The bout did the Syracuse strong light heavy a world of good as Opponents are hard to come by for T.N.T. Carroll, handled by Billy Harris.

In a scheduled six rounder Ralph "Rocky" Fratto, Geneva, 155, scored a second round k.o. at 2:30 seconds over Johnny Taylor, 150, of Buffalo. Fratto, a fine 18 year old prospect advanced with an 3-0 record. Fratto being watched over by Tony Graziano.

In another six rounder, Eddie Phillips, 175, Hartford, Connecticut, stopped Don Rucker, 175, of Buffalo, at 1:35 of the third round.

In the opener, Frank Duck, 150, Syracuse won a decision over Lorenzo Howard, 150, of Albany, N.Y. Duck at 2-2. The bout was a four rounder. Duck guided by Ray Rinaldi.

TALAMANTEZ COPS TITLE

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landed some decent body shots, but his advantage seemed to fade as the later rounds went on.

A cut over Talamantez' eye bothered him, and Leon did nothing to help. Leon landed tricky combinations. He would move in and out, and was able to catch the local fighter with fast punches. The last few rounds appeared to belong to Leon, but at no time was Talamantez in danger of going down.

The offical cards read 115-114, 116-113, and 115-113 and they set off a howl of protest from the fans that had come to see Jose Talamantez win. This reporter scored it 115-115. Give Leon credit, he fought an intelligent fight, he took the decision in stride, and he left the ring without a bruise. Give Talamantez credit as well, in his twelfth pro fight he held up, he didn't give in, and even if he did tire in the later rounds he still fought back and showed heart. Local promoters Joe Gagliardi and Jim Gama, of the Garden City Boxing Club, have offered to put together a rematch.

Leonel Valencia, from nearby Redwood City, pounded Tishiro Goye, Los Angeles, around the ring for two and a half rounds. Relying mostly on body punches, Valencia, 126, was having everything his way when Goye's handlers found the towel and threw it in at 1:19 of the third. Goye, who weighted 125, was taking a beating. Valencia's record is now four out of four.

Greg "Switchblade" MacPerson, San Jose, 156, showed unlimited enthusiasm and a relentless punching style as he dispatched tough Frank Livingstone, 156, Santa Monica, in the second round.

In the opening bout of the evening, Junior Albers, 166, from Eureka, socked and dropped James Castagnola, 166, San Francisco, in the second round. The gross gate for the evening was $6543.

OLD BROADWAY

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Burgess Meredith used Steindler as a model for his role as a boxing manager in the movie "Rocky," which also featured Steindler's Main Street Gymnasium in the film. Police were unable to give the reason for the murder.

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On a sad note, the sports world was sorry to learn of the passing of Red Smith's brother, Arthur B. Smith. Art, who was an outdoors columnist, was 72 years old.

Maybe we overlooked it but to make sure, we don't know whether we reported the passing of the French war hero and former featherweight king Eugene Criqui, who died at his home near Paris. There was quite a story about Routis. He grabbed the featherweight title from Johnny Kilbane in the Polo Grounds, a Tom O'Rourke promotion, and sixty days later lost his championship to Johnny Dundee. In order to make the Criqui match, it was agreed the Frenchman, in case he beat Kilbane, would defend against Dundee in sixty days, which he did. Johnny Dunne was an outstanding performer and a real Hall of Famer, in our book.

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Ran into a couple of friends of Alex Koskowitz, furrier and former manager of Doug Jones and other fistic headliners, at his business. Two happy individuals and they had a reason for being so. Their names Bo and Terris Brusco. Bo is in the tugboat business on the Columbia River and lives at 203 Cedar Lane in Longwood, Wash. Bo is a fight buff. His story—he and his wife were the only two survivors who walked out of the Canary Island airplane crash without a scratch. Incidentally, Bo also helped save bis mother from the tragic affair.

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GRAY LOSES

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frequent than those of Chavez, but by the end of the tenth round Chavez had managed to open up a third cut right on the eye of Gray.

The cuts had to be bothering Gray who, at the start of round eleven, went right after his opponent, not giving him any rest. Chavez was still ducking and weaving in an effort to get in close, and managed to stay away from the heavy blows that Gray was throwing. The blood was flowing freely from Gray's damaged eye by this time. At 1:08 of the round referee Rosario Baillargeon halted the bout and led Gray to the corner for consultation with the commission doctor, Dr. Aumont. After examination of the injuries to Gray's eye, and on the advice of the commission doctor, referee Baillargeon halted the bout leaving Chavez the winner by a T.K.O.

At the time of the termination of the bout the scores were, Judge J. Terroux 47-45 for Gray, Judge M. Lavigne 47-46 for Gray and Judge A. Brisset had it deadlocked at 47-47.

It was the first time in 74 bouts that Gray had been stopped on cuts. The card attracted 6,257 fans who paid $76,676 at the gate. It was reported that Gray received $15,000 and Chavez worked on 15% of the gross after taxes.

The co-feature, Barry Sponagle (New Glasgow), the Canadian lightweight champion, lost a unanimous decision to Jean Lapointe (Montreal) over twelve rounds. At the weigh-in Sponagle came in at 136. Given one hour to shed the excess weight he made it on his second trip to the scales. Lapointe came in at 133. In his eight previous pro bouts Lapointe had won five by K.O. and three by decision, this included a decision win in a non-title bout over Sponagle.

Having won a previous over the champion, Lapointe went into this return bout with the confidence that he could repeat his win again with the championship on the line. From the opening bell it was the challenger who carried the fight to the champion. Sponagle was forced to fight a defensive retreating fight and his left hand jabs, many of which were picked off on the gloves of Lapointe failed to change the pattern of the bout. The less experienced but tenacious Lapointe at the halfway mark in the bout was coming on strong and gaining more confidence as the bout progressed. Sponagle was unable to slow down his aggressive challenger and take control of the fight. The bout was fought at a very fast pace and the referee was not needed at anytime.

In the second half of the bout it was almost a repeat of the first six rounds with the exception of rounds seven and nine when Lapointe boxing very strongly at this point began to pace himself for a strong finish.

At the final bell the officials had it scored 57-54, 57-55 and 57-56 in favour of Lapointe. The decision handed down was a correct one. Both fighters gave the fans a great fight.

In other bouts Percy Hasley (New York), 162½, upset Bonifacio Avila (Montreal), 161¼, with a fifth round T.K.O. The bout was halted when Avila suffered a bad cut eye. Over eight rounds Keith Averett (Ohio), 153¾, won a unanimous decision over Marc Gervais (Hull), 155½.

HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONS AND THEIR KNOCKDOWNS

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five rounds. It was a more noteworthy achievement.

I never will forget the Dempsey-Willard near-murder on July 4, 1919, in Toledo. I was there. Jess was mauled mercilessly. Out in three rounds. Out sitting in his corner with his face a mass of welts and bruises.

Not to be forgotten, too, is the brief encounter between Joe Louis and Max Schmelling for the title. The German was hurt seriously, more seriously than anybody outside of his corner realized. Joe truly avenged his 12-round KO by Schmelling before Louis became the world champion.

The most frequently decked former champion was Floyd Patterson, who hit the canvas 16 times. He got the reputation of being handicapped by a glass jaw.

Joe Louis was knocked down six times and George Foreman only once—the time he was dumped by Ali in Zaire.

The most frequently knocked down fighter of any class was the famous Joe Grim. He hit the floor 21 times against Jack J. Johnson in six rounds in Philadelphia.

It was a cruel match. Grim had no chance except to set that record. The all time yo yo.

Of the eight knockdowns registered against Joe Frazier, two were achieved by Oscar Bonavena on the night of his heyday in the Garden. Bonavena had the chance of his life. But he did not have the capacity to take advantage of those knockdowns.

One of the most written about knockdowns of all time was the KD of the Long Count in the seventh round of the second Dempsey-Tunney fight, in Chicago.

Jack had the Marine on the floor. Maybe he had him out. But Dempsey refused to obey their agreement to go to a neutral corner in the event of a knockdown, and he may have lost the chance to recover the title he had lost to Gene in Philadelphia a year earlier.

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JULIO VALDEZ

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sion. Brackett had been 11-1-1 before he met the Diablito. Now he's 11-2-1. Brackett was game and hung on to go the distance. After the fight, Luis Morales admitted they were going back to work on the right hand, the power punch. Back to the heavy bag. Morales had wanted Valdez to get a KO.

When junior lightweight champion Alfredo Escalera comes to fight, he brings a twitching and writhing baby boa constrictor with him. He holds it high over his head with both hands. Before the bell sounds for round one, Escalera lets the snake slither ominously around the ring before putting it into a basket in his corner. Pretty impressive in one's corner. But Valdez says he's not intimidated. "That's to show. That's not to fight." And he shadow boxes to show off his own striking power—two good fast hands, two strong quick feet, and a good eye for knowing when to step in and take a man out with his own brand of poison.

While he waits to put the snake eye on Escalera, he works away at the heavy bag, spars, smiles, and get a little stronger day by day. Nelson Quevas says "Whenever they're ready." Luis Morales says, "I had outsiders, real experts take a look at him; Duke Stefano, Victor Valle. Everybody who sees him, loves him. Valle used to train Escalera. He told me Valdez is ready for top contenders, including Escalera. We've got a winner."

Billy Martin doesn't say much about Valdez. He leaves the talking to Luis Morales, but you can bet Billy figures he's going to win himself another championship. . .one way or another.

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ALONG THE VBA TRAIL

By SCOOP GALLELLO

IVBA RING #30. . .of Westchester county announces new date for their 12th. Annual banquet, as well as a new site; disregard old site of Glen Island Casino and June 18th. And concentrate on Sat. July 9th, 1977 at Polish Community Center on Waverly Ave. in Yonkers, N.Y. Cocktail hour at 6 P.M. dinner at 7:30—honoring localite Frankie La Pera—Hall of Fame recipient; Tommy O'Toole—Humanitarian award; Jackie Lotz—Club Honoree, and Franke Ryff—Fighter of the Year award. Tickets and further information thru this desk.

Bobby Kirk. . .well known former lightweigh of yesteryear, has joined the membership of IVBA RING #30 of Westchester county.

Cat Davis. . . .claimant to the womens world's lightweight boxing championship is a 5 ft. 10 inch blonde beauty who packs a knockout punch in either hand. Her fistic record reads: 12 bouts—12 wins, 11 by the knockout route. A few of her K.O. wins were against Jean Silver in 3 heats: Bobby Shein—2 rds; and Nickie Hansen in 2 rds. Her fistic prowesses have been hailed by boxing greats like Willie Pep, Jersey Joe Walcott and Rocky Graziano. She is trained and managed by former pro fisticuffer Sal Algieri. Information for her services can be obtained by contacting your reporter at 94 Crescent Ave., New Rochelle, N.Y. 10801.

Dr. Marko Zuzic. . . .president of the "Divine Sheperd of Souls Fund, Inc." is seeking the address of heavyweight champ Muhammad Ali. Direct to this corner, which will be relayed to Mr. Zuzic.

Andy Daddio. . . .prexy of IVBA RING#103 of S. River New Jersey, is on the mend after a heart seizure. Former great welterweight Charlie Fusari is an officer with this group.

Sal Bartolo. . . .former world's featherweight king is the new prexy of VBA RING #4 of Boston, Mass. A good man, and a good choice. More former champs should get involved in the sport that aided them.

Jake Kilrain. . . .oldtime bareknuckle pugilist who once went 75 rounds with the great John L. Sullivan (July 8, 1889) passed away on Dec. 22, 1937. From that day of his death, until recently, he lay in an unmarked grave. After all these years, his grave was finally decorated with a headstone donated by the veteran boxers of RING #4 of Boston, Mass. Ringsters Pat Leonard, Tommy Rawson, Jack Beaton, Ralph Morgan and Sal Bartolo gathered at St. Mary's Cemetery in Quincy, Mass. to pay homage to this once great fighting man. Members of the IVBA performed the same ritual for former lightheavy champ Battling Siki, at Flushing Cemetery last year. Grand people, these former pugilists.

Gunter Frauntex. . . .a boxing fan from Germany is requesting the address of former German middleweight champion Eric Seelig, who campaigned in this country, and upon retiring decided to live here. His address will be appreciated.

Steve Tannenbaum. . . .boxing enthusiast has a bi-weekly newsletter in the making. To subscribe, write to him at 6 Fiesta Court, Hewlett, N.Y. 11557.

Jack Malanaphy. . . .former six foot featherweight, announces the opening of "Paul's Pizzeria" on Route #6, Shrub Oak, N.Y. The pizzeria is operated by his boxing sons Paul and Mark.

Willie Pep. . . .former world's featherweight kingpin was feted at the New Hyde Park Elks Lodge #901, Lakeville Rd., New Hyde Park. Dinner, show and music, all for the nominal price of ten dollars per person. Pep, along with sugar Ray Robinson are rated by the fight mob as the "Greatest Pound for Pound" boxers in the annals of fistianna. Willie was the youngest fisticuffer to hold a world's title in the last 50 odd years.

Don't forget the IVBA convention this year is slated for Gilberts Resort in the Catskill area. The dates are Sept. 16-17-18, 1977. Write to this reporter, or to secretary Irv Silverman at 1208 Leland Ave., Bronx, N.Y. 10472—for prices and further information.

IVBA RING #102. . . .of Paterson N.J. are feting former prexy champ Snell on Sunday, April 3rd at the Camelot Restaurant, Rt. 23, Wayne, N.J. Dinner is set for 1 P.M.

Meeting of the Board of Governors of the IVBA took place on Sunday May 22, 1977 at Jack Nichols Restaurant, Ash St., Saratoga Springs, N.Y. at 2 o'clock noon. The evening before, Jack Nichols and Tony Tufo staged a crackerjack amateur boxing show at the Saratoga Spring High School at 8 P.M.

IVBA RING #32. . . .of Detroit, Michigan announce the date for their annual dinner-dance at St. Mary's College in that area on Friday evening June 17th, 1977.

Vinnie Vines. . . .tough middleweight between the years 1938-1947, passed away recently at age 58. Vinnie was "in there" with some of the best of that era, fellows like Baby Sims, Ray Robinson, Sam Baroudi, Izzy Jannazzo, Fritzie Zivic, Pete De Ruzza, Ruben Shanks, Holman Williams, Steve Belloise, Eddie Dunne and Tony Ferrara. He was a great competitor, and an active member of IVBA RING#26 of Schenectady, N.Y.

This corner is seeking the addresses of the following: TRAINER Lous Gross—former lefthooker Joe Miceli—Buffalo middleweight Don Rucker—Puerto Rican middleweight Fermin Gusman—New York middleweight Bobby O'Brien—Puerto Rican ringster David "Toro" Melendez—Puerto Rican contender Rey Mercado and former world's middleweight king Jake La Motta. This reporter has mail for them, from the European Continent.

Adrian Bailey. . . .is the new prexy of IVBA RING #34 of Long Branch, N.J., as is John Antonacci of RING #76 of Syracuse, N.Y.—ditto Stan Heidelbach of RING #102 of Paterson, N.J.

Former flyweight king Willie La Morte recently lost his beloved wife Lucy, after a prolonged illness.

New prexy of IVBA RING #102 Stan Heidelbeck lost his mother.

Jack Milichic. . . .veteran boxing referee around the Syracuse, N.Y. area is recuperating in Yuma, Arizona after a recent heart seizure. Drop him a get well note at 1104 Magnolia Ave., Yuma Arizona, 85364.

George Rugg. . . .former fisticuffer, as well as former secretary of IVBA RING #8 of N.Y.C. and member of IVBA RING #30 of Westchester County, is very active in his adopted State of Florida. He is umpiring semi-pro baseball games as well as attending fistic functions. George has always been a guy who "was there" in a pinch, ready to assist you in any way possible. The above mentioned RING groups have lost a terrific "go getter", who is an asset to any group lucky enough to land him.

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MIKE NIXON

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prospects are good that Mike will fight for the world junior middleweight crown this year," Ralph said. "My boy whipped Mike Rossman and Rossman just beat Mike Quarry, and with Carlos Monzon retiring this year, the middleweight division will be wide open. Nixon is punching much better now, and his kayo win over Gert Steyn should move him up the ratings," added Gambina.

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GUTIERREZ RETAINS MEXICAN TITLE

By Eduardo Amer

▲LOS MOCHIS, SINALOA: Betillo Gutierrez, 135, decisioned Aurelio Muniz, 135, in 12 rounds to retain his Mexican lightweight title. Martin "Buchanan" Garcia, 114, TKO'd Jesus Ramirez, 115, in three. Francisco Sarabia, 119, halted Mando Rios, 118, in three. Kid Duncan, 116, KO'd Ricardo Rodriquez, 117, in seven. Jorge Zamora, 115, bombed out Francisco Valenzuela, 116, in one.

▲NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS: Fernando Montes, 194, TKO'd Ismael Ruiz, 204, in four rounds, to become Mexican heavyweight champion. The title was vacant. Pedro Flores, 135, and Juan Elizondo, 135, drew in ten. Gerardo Pe5na, 122, TKO'd Jose Luis Luna, 121, in three. Florencio Barbosa, 119, won from "Chamaco" Aguilar, 118, in six. Juan Torres, 116, TKO'd Jesus Vazquez, 116, in one.

▲CULIACAN, SINALOA: Lupe Pintor, 117, destroyed Orlando Amores, 117, of Panama, in the first round. Leonardo "Chino" Bermdez, 135, and Rafael "Bazooka" Limon, 134, drew in ten. Raul Decaro, 116, TKO'd Abel Torres, 118, in ten.

▲MATAMOROS, TAMAULIPAS: Roberto "Kid" Rubaldino, 118, kayoed "Cuervo" Martinez, 118, in three Guadalupe "Cubano" Hernandez, 118, embalmed Javier "Pato" Moncibais, 117, in three.

▲TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA: Ernesto Garfias, 134, TKO'd German Coello, 134, of Dominican Republic, in eight. Rodolfo Hernandez, 118, KO'd Lupe Garcia, 118, in six.

▲MINATITLAN, VERA CRUZ: Memo Ayala, 119, TKO'd Benny Arguelles, 119, in seven. Memo Oliva, 114, stopped Miguel "Rancherito" Fernandez, 113, in 4. Jose Cabrera, 126, nailed Pedro Padilla, 125, in 3. Mario Ontiveros, 125, defeated Jorge "Jarocho" Reyes, 124, in 10.

▲NUEVA ITALIA, MICHOACAN: Lauro Garcia, 111, bested Roberto Martinez, 112, in ten. Hernan Cerda, 114, KO'd Carlos Saucedo, 115, in two.

▲ACAPULCO, GUERRERO: Agustin Romero, 114, disposed of Guillermo Marin, 114, in two. Rodrigo Ortiz, 123, flattened Bruno Herrera, 124, in two. Bibiano Gonzalez, 125, demolished Goyo Ruiz, 125, in four. Miguel Bracamontes, 113, beat Natividad Echeverria, 114, in six.

▲MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON: Aurelio Hinojosa, 119, TKO'd Rosendo Ramirez, 118, in seven. Alchandro Garcia, 116, kayoed Raymundo Rodriquez, 116, in three.

▲GUADALAJARA, JALISCO: Elpidio Valdez, 123, stopped Francisco Cruz, 124, in five. Alfredo Martinez, 119, KO'd "Changa" Alvarez, 118, in six.

▲SAN LUIS POTOSI: Joel Segura, 112, bested Gerardo Galindo, 112, in ten.

▲GUAYMAS, SONORA: Marcos Geraldo, 150, flattened Herminio "Loba" Ramirez, 152, in two.

▲PIEDRAS NEGRAS, COAHUILA: Roberto "Indio" Toxtle, 125, nailed Dario Martinez, 125, in five. Eloy Hernandez, 124, KO'd Jose Juis Lopez, 123, in nine.

▲COATZACOALCOS, VERA CRUZ: Esteban "Gallito" Gonzalez, 118, decisioned Alejandro Vega, 118, in ten.

▲APATZINGAN, MICHOACAN: Raul Delgado, 184, and Jose Cruz, 181, drew in ten.

▲MANZANILLO, COLIMA: Jose Luis Baltazar, 148, best Ernesto Caballero, 147, in ten.

▲MEXICO CITY: Gerardo Aceves, 126, TKO'd Arturo "Kaliman" Merino, 125, in five. Pedro Sandoval, 119, TKO'd Fernando Gomez, 121, in nine. Jose "Chema" Ruiz, 114, TKO'd Martin "Indio" Gallegos, 116, in five. Silvestre Victores, 116, TKO'd Victor Olvera, 115, in two.

▲TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA: Juan Escohar, 112, iced Jesus Alfaro, 112, in one. Manuel Ruelas, 127, bested Francisco Ponce, 128, in 10.

▲MEXICO CITY: Jose Sosa, 111, TKO'd Joaquin Acuna, 111, in tenth and last round. Jose Chavez, 123, won by a disqualification from Amado Mendoza, 122, in ten. Nestor Adam, 146, and Felix Mendez, 143, drew in eight. Jose Luis Tapia, 125, bombed Martin Rodriquez, 125, in the opening round. Porfirio Diaz, 111, won over Genaro Romero, 110, in four.

▲MEXICO CITY: Amado "Pantera" Ursua, 110, won an unpopular decision from Juan "Monito" Diaz, 111, in ten. Jose Angel Espinosa, 145, was stopped by Jesus Salvador, 146, in three. Manuel Ferrer, 125, KO'd Carlos Garrido, 125, in two. Jorge Carrillo, 125, halted Fidel Lopez, 124, in two. Sabino Cabral, 111, defeated Ercarnacion Perez, 111, in four.

▲CIUDAD JUAREZ, CHIHUAHUA: Carlos Mimila, 126, embalmed Javier Caballero, 125, in three. Santos Moreno, 123, and Pablo Medel, 123, drew in ten.

▲ACAPULCO, GUERRERO: Rafael "Tanque" Gonzalez, 124, stopped Gerardo Flores, 125, in six. David Cabrera, 117, disposed of Lalo Gonzalez, 117, in two.

▲GUADALAJARA, JALISCO: Delfino Mendoza, 118, halted Serafin Pacheco, 118, in four.

▲MERIDA, YUCATAN: Paulino Canche, 117, and Humberto Lara, 117, drew in 12. The bout was for the Yucatan bantamweight title, which was vacant. Wilbert Canche, 111, whipped Jose Cabrera, 111, to became the Yucatan flyweight champion. Juan Herrera, 110, defeated Guillermo Mis, 112, in eight. Angel Flores, 113, beat Ray Leonardo, 115, in four.

▲MEXICO CITY: Victor "Vaquero" Diaz, 111, decisioned Lauro Garcia, 111, in ten. Adrian Gutierrez, 136, TKO'd Andres Lobera, 134, in seven. Manuel Luna, 117, TKO'd Javier Arroyo, 117, in four. Jorge Ramirez, 116, defeated Felipe Fernandez, 116, in six. Agustin Palacios, 118, KO'd Alberto Heredia, 120, in two.

▲GUADALAJARA, JALISCO: Freddy Castillo, 112, bested Juan Jose Guzman, 112, in ten. Chucho Saldedo, 122, TKO'd Alejandro Agosto, 122, in six.

▲ACUPULCO, GUERRERO: Joel Gatica, 112, put Rodolfo Lara, 112, to sleep in one. Eduardo Adame, 116, TKO'd Felix Basurto, 117, in two. Carlos Urbano, 118, TKO'd Jaime Carbajal, 119, in five.

▲SALINA CRUZ, OAXACA: Jose "Mixe" Bautista, 117, iced Jose Torres, 118, in one. Moi Ruiz, 115, won by a disqualification over Jose Arias, 114, in seven.

▲MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON: Antonio Garcia, 117, beat Alberto Cruz, 117, in ten. Martin Zamora, 119, TKO'd Antonio Morales, 120, in four.

▲MEXICO CITY: Jorge David Monzon, 126, TKO'd Jesus "Chuy" Rodriquez, 125, in three. Alfonso Jimenez, 134, stopped Juan Panchi, 134, in four. Pablo Rodriquez, 129, TKO'd Crescencio Santana, 124, in two. Nacho Rivera, 119, won from Juan Garcia, 118, in six.

▲TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, CHIAPAS: Ney Gordillo, 126, demolished "Casanovita" Mendez, 125, in one.

▲MEXICO CITY: Freddy Hernandez, 112, of Colombia, TKO'd Jose Gallegos, 112, in five. Mauro Armenta, 115, won by a disqualification over Antonio Sanchez, 115, in three. Alfredo Nunez, 136, bested Manuel Martinez, 137, in eight. Justo Garcia, 117, TKO'd Hernan Cerda, 118, in one. Manuel Ferrer, 125, whipped Ruben Soriano, 124, in four.

▲SALINA CRUZ, OAXACA: Ney Gordillo, 126, kayoed Modesto "Torito" Vazquez, 125, in two.

▲CIUDAD JUAREZ, CHIHUAHUA: Mario Roman, 134, decisioned Jose "Chamizal" Hernandez, 135, in ten. Silvino Rubio, 119, halted Alejandro Lopez, 119, in two. Rigoberto "Gigio" Estrada, 118, defeated Jorge Ramirez, 119, in ten.

▲MEXICO CITY: Juan Alvarez, 113, TKO'd Alberto "Costeno" Morales, 112, in seven. Andres Fernandez, 145, beat Adolfo Sanjeado, 144, in ten. Silvestre Victores, 120, TKO'd Jorge Guzman, 119, in two. Rodolfo Perez, 116, and Jose Ruiz, 116, drew in six. Melchor Mendoza, 114, was beaten by Angel Mata, 115, in four.

LOPES GETS SPLITTER

By Don Hamill

Only two boxing showed graced the pro rings in all of New England for the past month. Both shows were Sam Silverman productions and held in Boston. Already shows are scheduled which will make next month a bit more active, There has been activity among the simon pures, however.

▲BOSTON — Tony Lopes, 155, Brockton, won a gruelling eight-round split decision over veteran Jose Pagan Rivera, 161, Lowell, at the Harvard Club. Rivera was the harder puncher and at times rocked Lopes but was unable to put them together. Lopes, who was never off his feet, scored more often and earned the decision. At times he was able to score at will without returns.

Pee Wee Stokes, 126, New York, disposed of Jose Papo Melendez, 126, Lowell, by scoring a clean knockout in the third session of the six round semi-final. Dave Ramalho, 114, Lowell, repeated an earlier win by taking a unanimous decision over Humberto Sanchez, 112, New York, in a ring war. Ben Sanchez, 152, Leominster, overpowered Russell Hart, 152, New York, when the latter quit in the final heat of their four-rounder. Steve Coupe, 146, Lowell, nephew of manager Ted Coupe, easily put Tom Nelson, 142, Fitchburg, away in the first round. Genatt Merault, 158, Lawrence, outscored Jose Rodriquez, 154, Lowell, in a slugfest that marked the pro debut of both.

The shows held at the Harvard Club are put on by Sam Silverman for the benefit of the club members. The ring is set up in the ballroom where tuxedoed members sit around tables, and served a fine meal followed by the show. Bob Banker of the Harvard Club does a great job managing the function. He also handles the mike in introducing the fighters, celebrities, etc. It is a memorable affair every year.

▲BOSTON Arena — Vinnie Curto, 158½, East Boston, ran into a difficult opponent in Henry (Hurricane) Walker, 160, Los Angeles, whom he defeated by taking a unanimous ten-round decision. The bout was almost devoid of action for four rounds. As the pace stepped up Walker was equal to it and control of the bout seesawed between them. The final session was filled with toe-to-toe exchanges.

Jackie Smith, 154½, Brockton, stopped Lorenzo Howard, 150, Albany, in the fourth round of the eight round semi-windup. The New Yorker spent much time on the canvas from trips, slips, and blows before Referee Herbie Weisblum called a halt. Frank (Tiger) Moore, 160, Brockton, outgunned Cruz Ortiz, 159, New York, over eight rounds with Tiger getting stronger as the bout progressed and won a lop-sided decision. Steve Coupe, 147, Lowell, scored two knockdowns in easily halting Tracy Polewarczyk, 154, Clinton, in the first round. Ron Gabaree, 220, Clinton, scored a third-round TKO over Paul St. Louis, 190, Lawrence, in the four-round opener.

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CANALITO IMPRESSES

By Hank Kaplan

MIAMI, FLORIDA — Miami heavyweight prospect and former Houston football star, Lee Canalito, looked impressive in upending Big Bill Jackson at Louisville for his second straight win. . .Johnny DeJohn, who managed Carmen Basilio to the world title, is in town for a couple of weeks rehashing old Basilio thrillers with trainer Angelo Dundee. . .Ibar Arrington, Pacific Northwest heavyweight drawing card, schooled here for about ten days and appeared an improved fighter before departing for Seattle. . .Jose "Speedy" Gonzales, Miami junior lightweight, made a hit beating Manny Lujan in Los Angeles. . .Leo Vogelfang, one of the earliest of Maccabiah boxers, dating back to 1924 as a member of the team in Germany, is looking physically fit as he operates his health spa on Miami Beach. . .Former Olympic heavyweight champion Pete Radamacher, who challenged Floyd Patterson for the heavyweight title while making his professional debut, flitted through town on a business mission. . .Claude Newell, flashy and hard-punching lightweight from Trinidad, now working at the Miami Beach Fifth Street Gym under the aegis of Angelo Dundee. . .Rodney Bobick, helping brother Duane to prepare for his scheduled outing with Ken Norton, is planning to return to Miami Beach after he leaves Duane's california training camp. . .San Diego middleweight David Love drew rave notices for his workmanship as he stopped the vaunted Bobby "Boogaloo" Watts on the national hook-up. . .175 pound Bobby Lloyd of Fort Lauderdale is shaping up and looking for activity with Mac Goodman in his corner. . .New Orleans flash, Ritchie Gonzalez, picked up pro victory No. 2 with a lightweight duke over James Morgan in the Orlando Stadium. . .Joe Zeno, Miami's boxing emmissary to far-off boxing centers throughout the U. S., tabs David Love as the next middleweight champion. . .Featherweight Terry Cunningham,122, was the unanimous winner over Lee Roberson, 118, in the feature event at the Elizabeth Virrck Gym in Coconut Grove. . .Lou Esa, at 6 feet 6 inches and fighting weight of 250, made it 14-1-1 with a second round knockout over Jimmy Cross at the Orlando Stadium. . .Sherwin Johnson, 160-pounder from Nassau, is in the process of picking up tricks at the Miami Beach Fifth Street Gym. . .Crack amateur middleweight, is ready to turn to the paid ranks for his future boxing activity. . .Working out at Miami Beach Fifth Street Gym is Fernand Marcotte, who is preparing for a Canadian middleweight title fight in Montreal.

Former champ Joe Louis invited Al Nettlow, his one-time Golden Glove team member, and brother Danny along with Mickey and Pat Ryan, his old Detroit buddies, to Don King's TV presentation at the Fountainbleau Hotel. . .With 35 amateur fights behind him gained in the Toronto arenas, Larry Llewellyn has decided to make it as a pro in Florida. . . . Out for awhile, Nat King and Marcel Clay are back in action looking for name opponents. . .For the first time in Miami's history, two National champions were produced at the Golden Glove title matches in Honolulu. Flyweight Orlando Maldonado won over Billy Ranelli of Syracuse in the finals while Michael McCallum, brilliant boxer from Kingston, Jamaica, won the decision over Cliff Hinkle of Rocky Mountain, Utah in the welterweight category. . .In the prelims of the Fountainebleau show Mike Dokes, 199, Akron, won his fifth straight as he pounded out a unanimous decision over Ed Turner, 184, Orlando, while Lee Royster, 179, Fort Lauderdale, proved too aggressive for Nat Gates, 174, Tampa, to win the decision. Both bouts were six-rounders. . .In another amateur feature event, Ritchie Lee Roberts, a three-time Florida Golden Glove champ, won a unanimous decision over Jerry Dinkins in a lightweight tussle. . .A total of six former and current world champions were in the audience of the Colbert-Mosely show; Beau Jack, Petey Scalzo, Muhammad Ali, George Foreman, Joe Louis and Esteban DeJesus. . .DeJesus plans to remain in Miami for about one month to train for an upcoming title defense. . .Promoter Chris Dundee is planning a boxing show at Miami's Marine Stadium with the ring set on a barge in Biscayne Bay. Dundee promoted several shows in the same locale a few years ago with stand-out fights.

▲Miami Beach — Chris Dundee's initial boxing card since November 9, 1976 was a showcase of artistic matches from top to bottom. There was no "fight of the night." They were all smashing, and were well received by the 1437 in attendance at Convention Hall.

In the ten-round feature, Mike Koranicki, 200¼, fighting out of the Joe Frazier stable in Philadelphia, returned to his old stamping grounds a vastly improved fighter and outpointed prospect Tom Prater, 203¾, Indianapolis, in a nonstop action battle. Mike boosted his pro record to 16-4-1 as he gained the scores of 47-43 by referee Eddie Eckert, 47-42 and 47-44 from the judges, all in his favor.

Prater, in dropping to 17-5-1, came out strong while wrapping up the first two rounds. In the third, Koranicki shoved the pressing Prater in order to find room at long range. Mike began to uncork left hooks to the head and body and kept Prater away with steady left jabs. Prater persistently fought back but Koranicki found the mark with more frequency to gain the unanimous duke.

In the semi-final, Lou Esa, 248¼, Wayne, New Jersey, picked up his 12th win against one loss and a draw, by scoring a third-round knockout over Leroy Diggs, 212, Swedesboro, New Jersey, in the third round of a scheduled eight rounder. Diggs came out looking good with clever boxing and an assortment of punches but Esa got rough in the third round with a strong body attack to put Diggs on the ropes. Esa turned the battle around completely to gain an impressive win.

In a four-round war, Sammy Massias, 146¼, Homestead, fought a rousing battle against Larry Lewellyn, 148¼, Hamilton, Canada. Massias took the first two rounds as Lewellyn evened it out in the last two. Lewellyn impressed in his pro debut.

In the walkout four-rounder, Luis Montalvo, 157, Hialeah, fought a draw against Bobby Niles, 166, New York. Both kids were making their debut among the professionals.

ANTUOFERMO, GREGORY VICTORS IN PHILLY

By Nigel Collins

Philadelphia, Pa. - New York City invaders Vito Antuofermo and Eddie Gregory scored victories over locals Eugene "Cyclone" Hart and Matthew Franklin in a pair of televised bouts at the Arena.

Former European junior middleweight champion Vito Antuofermo, now fighting as a full-scale middleweight, came from behind to kayo the powerful Hart at 2:50 of the fifth round in a thrilling slugfest that had been scheduled for ten rounds.

Hart, 158, put his dangerous left hook to good use in the early going. He opened a cut over Vito's right eye and sank home a number of awesome shots to the body.

Antuofermo, 159, absorbed the punishment well and fought back with short combinations up the middle. Every round saw the game bangers stand toe-to-toe and exchange leather with little or no thought to defense.

The bull-necked Italian hurt Hart in the fourth with a series of left-rights to the head. "Cyclone" responded with a counter attack that had Vito backing up at the bell.

The exciting clash came to an end the next frame when Antuofermo connected with another one-two for the first of two knockdowns. Hart beat the count but was soon floored again for good as Vito applied a four-punch combination.

It was a big win for Antuofermo but it should be remembered that "Cyclone" had been taken apart by both Bennie Briscoe and Marvin Hagler last year. He does not seem to have much resistance to a solid punch any more.

Eddie Gregory was awarded an unpopular split decision over underdog Matthew Franklin after 10 interesting rounds of boxing.

Franklin, 176, got off to a surprisingly good start when he decked the startled New Yorker with a quick right to the chin in the opening round.

Matt continued to box well on the retreat in the second and he and he buckled Eddie's knees with another sneak right.

After an even third Gregory, 175, came to life and shook Franklin with a hard left-hook along the ropes. They exchanged solid punches the remainder of the round.

The pace slowed in the second half. Franklin was still moving well but failed to punch and let Gregory steal round after round with his more consistent work. Matt let the fight slip away in these middle rounds and fell just short of victory with a fast finish.

The offical scoring bought a round of boos from the 2,500 live customers.

Referee Tom Reed scored 47-44 for Gregory, judge Tommy Cross agreed with a 46-45 tally. Judge Herb Rhodes saw it the other way and scored the match 47-45 in favor of Franklin. The RING had Gregory by a narrow 46-45 margin. It was a very close bout that could have easily gone either way.

The best of the action-packed prelims saw heavyweight Randy "Tex" Cobb kayo Tyrone Harlee in two.

Harlee, 207, of New York, punched open a very nasty looking cut over Cobb's left eye in the first round and seemed well on his way to a win. The huge Cobb, 230, kept coming and managed to land a couple of hard pokes to the body.

The crowd went wild when Harlee ran out of gas in the second and was counted out after going down from another body punch. He was more exhausted than hurt.

Billy Goodman, 157, scored a fluke TKO over lefty Dan Snyder, 159, in the fourth round of a scheduled six between unbeaten locals.

After an fairly even contest, Snyder doubled over and claimed he had been hit low. Referee Hank Cisco said he did not see the foul and ruled Snyder out.

Titus Burges, 165, of North Philadelphia outboxed Butch Bell, 165, College Park, Md., for a four-round decision. Bell was down for an eight-count in the first.

South Philly's Johnny Cooper, 150, finished Al McBride, 157, with a single left-hook to the liver at 1:59 of the first.

In other kayo results Wendell Baily, 205, Baltimore, stopped localite George Harris, 195, in two and Ron Aurit, 137, landed a perfect right to halt Joe Johnson, 147, in one. Both from Philly.

The excellent show was co-promoted by Hank Schwartz, Don Elbaum and Frank Gelb.

▲WAGNER BALLROOM - Comebacking lightweight Wade Hinnant topped a fair card for promoter Barry McCall with an eight-round nod over New Yorker Angel Cintron.

Hinnant had been out of action for over a year with eye problems and looked rusty and a little unsure of himself. However, he scored with quick flurries from time to time and remained unbeaten after seven pro starts.

Cintron, two pounds up at 141, jabbed and moved but only won a couple of rounds from his stronger adversary.

West Chester's Carlos Prigg, 165, came back from two knockdowns in the first round to win a crowd-pleasing sixer over Philly's Tom Harris, 160.

Local Broderick Mason, 193½, took a four-rounder over old man Matt Robinson, 219, from Baltimore. All Robinson could do was push and hold.

North Philly's Mike Williams, 136, blew Marvin Edwards, 135, right out of the fight with a volley of head shots in the first round. Three knockdowns automatically terminated the fight at 1:20.

In a female bout, Cathy Davis, 140½, knocked out Margie Dunson, 150, in the third.

▲UPPER DARBY, PA. - Boxing returned to this Philadelphia suburb in a big way when over 1,200 fans paid $6,757 to see an all-knockout show promoted by Ed Crawford, Marty Feldman and their matchmaker, J. Russell Peltz in the 69th Street Forum.

The fights were all mismatches. In the windup Rudy Donato, 165½, scored his third win over shopworn Dave Dittmar, 165, with a third-round TKO.

Tony Tassone, 161, pounded game but inept Marvin Lee, 161, for a TKO in the third.

Richie Bennett, 162½, destroyed Al Daniels, 162, in one and Mike Pricciotti, 142½, bombed out Ernie Gladney, 145½, in two.

Vic Pappas, 138, KO'd Billy Johnson, billed at 135, in the first and Micky Diflo, 135½, dispatched Earl Harris, 135, also in one.

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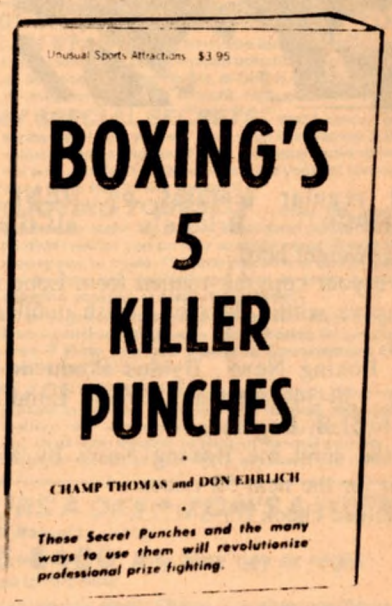

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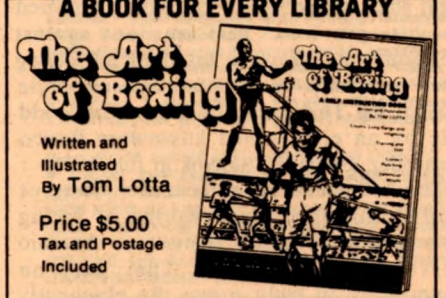

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MUANGSURIN STOPS ISHIMATSU

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continued throwing right jabs and smashing lefts to the face. Midway in the session the Thai puncher landed a good combination at Guts' stomach. Down he went. In agony, Ishimatsu arose to break the count at nine. Immediately the Thai swarmed over Guts, aiming at the damaged breadbasket with a furious rally.

Again Ishimatsu sent down with his back on the deck, with the third man tolling the ten. The time was 1:56.

Beetle haired Muangsurin who registered the seventh kayo in eight wins against one defeat said loudly in reply to a TV interviewer, "In the first two rounds I watched Ishimatsu moving and found that he was an easy target for my punch. Though I had predicted a ninth round knockout, my body bombardment was effective enough to have Ishimatsu sink earlier. I will defend the title against anybody, anywhere and at any time."

The loser, Guts, who had retained the WBC lightweight leadership in five bouts until he lost a 15-round shutout decision to DeJesus, had to shed some 30 pounds to make the limit during 75 days, although he moved one class up due to the difficulty in making the weight.

Ishimatsu gloomily said, "I am very sorry for the huge Japanese crowd that expected my comeback and triumph. I don't remember what happened after Muangsurin hit me in the breadbaset. His body punches were so strong that I was floored and almost unconscious for awhile."

This reporter noted that Muangsurin has made good progress in ring science by improving his balance and landing plenty of right leads before strong left shots, compared to his previous performance against Furuyama in Tokyo. In his third pro outing after he turned to the international style boxing, the Thai southpaw gained the world title by an eight round kayo over Perico Fernandez, Spain, in Bankok in July 1976.

The 140-pound class there are plenty of hard-hitting oppositions worthy of facing Muangsurin. Wilfredo Benitez or Antonio Cervantes will give the Thai lefty an opportunity to truly prove the eloquently confident Shengsak's real power. Another strong challenger who must be considered is David Green of England, unbeaten British junior welterweight champion, who recently continued a winning streak by finishing former welter leader John Stracey within the distance.

With the WBC champion, Muangsurin, making a defense every three months, the ring action in the 140-pound class will remain vigorous.

In a supporting tenner, Petchasayarm Petchareon, 19 year-old top contender in Thailand and sparring partner of Muangsurin, decked Japan's Harbor Watanabe three times and halted him in the fourth round. Both weighed in at 140 pounds.

In another tenner Shigeo Nakajima, unbeaten rookie after an amateur career in Komazawa University and JBC's No. 3 flyweight contender, onesidedly battered Masayuki Kobayashi, No. 8 lefthander, in a shutout game. Each scaled in at a quarter pound lighter than 112.

In a preliminary eight, Ryu Fukita technically kayoed Masayuki Miyashita in the fourth round. The third man declared a stoppage due to the latter's bad eye gash. They are willing southpaws, both of whom entered the ring at 130 pounds.

The title affair was televised live nationwide throughout Television Asahi in commemoration of the Company's enterprising change from previous NET (Nippon Education TV) into a new organization with a strong backup of the Asahi Shimbun. Owing to the gigantic TV's support, Yonekura Promotion reportedly presented purses of eighty thousand dollars to Muangsurin and forty thousand to Ishimatsu.

WELLS VS. ROSS

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ringwise Wells began nullifying Ross's assault and piling up points of his own to narrow the margin. Gene worked inside, tying up Ross and then working with his own free hand. The Mad Dog, puzzled by Gene's varying strategies, fought that much harder as he became frustrated, but Wells had an answer for everything.

Despite the frequent clinches and wrestling as each fighter sought an advantage, Orlando fans appreciated the fighting desire and great efforts evidenced by both men. An artistic spectacle it wasn't, but emotionally it was quite a scrap. Both Wells and Ross thought they had won, yet neither was particularly eager for a return bout. Each weighed 157, so Ross's Southern 154-pound crown was not in jeopardy.

Dominick Polo, in Ross corner, said, "Anybody but Gene Wells in there, and Mad Dog would have blown him out. Gene brought Edgar to Orlando a couple years ago as his protege, and he knows every move the kid is going to make before he knows it himself. Wells was smart enough to survive and make it close, but believe me when I say Ross can whip any junior middleweight in the world!"

Matchmaker Bruce Trampler had a super supporting card on the 50th show he has arranged for Ashlock in the last 25 months.

Tony Gardner, 156, Memphis, survived three knockdowns to TKO Jackie Madison, 152, Macon, Georgia, in seven. The game Madison was down four times. In a bloody war, 18-year-old Scotty "Golden Boy" Clark, 147, Orlando, stopped Mike West, 156, Memphis, in three. And huge Lou Esa, 246, Miami, got off the deck to halt Jimmy Phillips, 198, Memphis, in two, with Phillips visiting the canvas four times.

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CHIAVERINI DECISIONS WILLIE WARREN

By RON COPHER

Kansas City, Mo.—In a World Television Champions quarterfinal middleweight match Tony Chiaverini scored a 10-round unanimous decision over Willie Warren.

The first round was largely a feeling out process for both fighters and Warren, from Corpus Christi, Texas, landed two right hooks which were the only hard punches of the round. In the second Chiaverini, from Shawnee, Kansas, knocked Warren down with a left hook, but the experienced Warren weaved and rolled and stayed out of trouble.

In the third round Warren stung Chiaverini with right hooks but just before the bell Chiaverini caught Warren on the ropes and hit him with a left that buckled his knees. The bell rang before Chiaverini could follow up and Warren wobbled to his corner.

Chiaverini, who bruised the knuckle on his left hand, began to rely on his right jab mainly from the fourth-round onward. Both men landed hard punches in the sixth. Warren landed two good right hooks to the side of Chiaverini's head in the eighth, but Chiaverini staggered Warren in the ninth and outpointed him in the 10th.

Chiaverini has built a reputation as a brawler, but against Warren he proved that he can box also. He used his right jab to keep the dangerous Warren off balance and he did an excellent job of anticipating Warren's punches. Chiaverini was in excellent condition and was the stronger fighter in the closing rounds.

The judges scored the fight 99-84, 99-89, and 99-93. The win brought Chiaverini's record to 15-2-1 with 11 knockouts. Warren's record dropped to 36-30-2 with 11 knockouts.

In another middleweight tournament bout Gary Guiden of Muncie, Indiana scored a bloody seventh-round knockout over Nick Ortizo of Puerto Rico.

After gradually taking control of Ortiz in the fifth and sixth rounds, Guiden leveled him with several accurate punches to the head to start the seventh. This series of punches had Ortiz out on his feet. The final punch that finished the dazed Ortiz off was a right hand to the head. Guiden is 18-2 with 14 knockouts. Ortiz's record is now 12-4 with 9 knockouts.

In a surprise Mike Hallacy of Wichita scored a first-round TKO over Tony McMinn of Quapaw, Okla., at 1:50 of the first round in a middleweight bout.

McMinn came out strong against his taller opponent scoring with a good left hand to the body. Hallacy then scored with a hard left uppercut, followed by an overhand right which dropped McMinn to the canvas. McMinn got to his feet, but the referee ruled that he was unable to continue. Each fighter had a victory over the other during their amateur careers. This was their first pro meeting. The loss drops the 19-year old McMinn's record to 9-2 while Hallacy now stands 11-2 in the punch-for-pay ranks.

"I didn't expect to take him so early," said Hallacy. "I hate to see a good fighter like that go so fast. It could have been either one of us."

Steve Homan, a 24-year old Raytown lightweight won a unanimous decision over 6-rounds from Freddie "Stepper" Harris of Bossier City, La.

The taller Homan, a southpaw, kept Harris off with a right jab. Harris failed to find a way to get inside, settling for an occasional hard right over Homan's left. Homan brought his record to 6-0 with 4 knockouts. Harris's record dropped to 14-4.

In a six-round light heavyweight bout, Ivy Brown won a unanimous decision over 29-year old Ned Hallacy of Wichita. Neither fighter paid much attention to finesse, preferring to meet in the center of the ring and trade blows. Brown scored a fifth-round knockdown on his way to the victory. The win moved Brown's record to 4-1.

John Gruss of the Mid America Boxing Club announced a gate of about $40,000 for the crowd of 5,484.

▲Milwaukee—Kansas City lightweight Tracy Morrison traveled to the Eagles Club in Milwaukee where he lost on a fifth round TKO to local boxer John Townsend.

Townsend, who dominated the first three rounds, really went to work on Morrison in the fourth. Morrison was kept on the ropes where Townsend continually pounded his opponent's body.

In the fifth Townsend continued his assault on Morrison's ribs and midsection. Townsend then switched his attack to the head and stunned Morrison to force a standing eight count. With a crowd of 776 waiting for the finishing blows the Milwaukee fighter caught Morrison with a solid right to the side of the head. The referee gave Morrison another standing eight count.

Townsend went right back after Morrison backing him into the ropes and battering him with punches to the head until the referee pulled Townsend off and raised his arm in victory at 2:58 of the fifth round.

▲St. Louis—Don Carbin, 1976 National Gloves champion led a group of ten St. Louis Golden Gloves winners to the 1977 National Golden Gloves tournament in Honolulu. Carbin was one of three repeat winners. Jim Howell and Frank Borders will coach the St. Louis boxers in the national tourney. About 4000 fans attended the final night at Kiel Auditorium.

Open Division winners were as follows: 112 lbs, Jessie Davidson; 119 lbs, Ulysses Martin; 125 lbs, Gary Johnson; 132 lbs, Maurice Purnell; 139 lbs, Benjamin Stiff; 147 lbs, John Happe; 156 lbs, Don Carbin; 165 lbs, Allen Siess; 178 lbs, Earl Purnell; Heavyweight, Mike Carun.

Novice champions crowned on the final night were as follows: 139 lbs, Mark Mannisi; 147 lbs, Mickey Bobbish; 165 lbs, Mike Day; Heavyweight, Robert Wilmering.

▲Memphis—Light heavyweight Tony McMinn of Quapaw, Okla., won a unanimous 8-round decision over Mayfield Pennington of Louisville, Ky. McMinn decked Pennington once in the third round and twice in the fourth, but Pennington wouldn't stay down. This was the first time in McMinn's pro career that the bout has gone the distance. The Quapaw fighter's record is now 10-2.

Light heavyweight Phil Wade of Galena, Kansas, lost his professional debut as his bout with Joey Hadley of Memphis was stopped in the fourth round when Wade suffered a deep facial cut. Hadley is now 4-0.

In a lightweight bout Sam Taylor of St. Louis knocked out Ronnie Dawson of Memphis in the second round. The win was Taylor's second as a pro against one loss.

▲Cleveland—Missouri boxers traveled to Cleveland and met with mixed success. Joplin, Mo., boxer Billy Pearish, 126, outpointed Cleveland fighter Joey Mayes, 121, in a six round bout. Pearish won on a 127-105 computer decision before 750 fans at Public Hall. Pearish carried the fight to Mayes, staying on top of the Cleveland Battler most of the way. Pearish is now 10-1 as a pro while Mayes fell to 6-2.

Poison Ivy Brown, 178, of Kansas City dropped a 92-63 computer decision to Pablo Ramos, 177, of Cleveland in a six-round bout. Ramos overcame a badly bleeding nose from the first round on to go the distance and outpunch his opponent. Ramos is now 7-0 while Brown fell to 5-2.

William Whipple, 126, of Youngstown, Ohio, started slow but finished fast to stop Wardell Williams, 126, of Kansas City in the fifth-round of their scheduled ten-round bout. The fight was stopped when Williams hit the deck three times in the round. The final blow was a left hand to the midsection that dropped the Missouri fighter.

An interesting rematch saw Eddie Graves, 136, of Youngstown, Ohio, beat Sam Taylor, 135, of St. Louis on a third-round TKO. Graves, who won the first match between the pair by a decision, started out slowly and was losing at the start of the third round when he outscored Taylor 18-2 before the fight was stopped. Graves is now 3-0 while Taylor's record falls to 2-2.

▲Oklahoma City—Light heavyweight Tony McMinn of Quapaw, Okla., recorded an impressive victory over Mickey Banks of Okla. City. McMinn, now 11-2 as a professional, rallied after a slow start and scored a tenth-round TKO over Banks who was seeking his 13th straight win as a pro. Banks scored well with left jabs in the first two rounds, but the stocky McMinn took control in the third round and pounded Banks the rest of the way. The game Banks went down from a hard right to the head in the ninth round.

Featherweight Billy Pearish of Joplin, Mo., won his 11th bout as he stopped Duke Garcia of San Antonio in the fourth round. Pearish has suffered one loss in his pro career but has been unbeaten since moving down to the featherweight division.

Pearish decked Garcia for an eight-count in the second and stayed well in control of the bout as the referee finally halted the bout when Garcia was unable to defend himself against Pearish's punches.

In a heavyweight bout Jimmy Pearish of Joplin, Mo., defeated Pete Knight of Okla. City on a four round decision. It was a crowd pleasing fight that was a toe to toe brawl all the way. The win squared Pearish's record at 1-1. Springfield, Mo.—The Springfield Boxing Club won the team title in the ninth annual Springfield Golden Gloves. Layne Burnett from Marshfield, Mo., won the outstanding fighter trophy. The sportsmanship trophy went to Bill Harness of Harrison, Ark. Dick Flint, Larry McManis, and Mark Gordon all repeated as champions from 1976.

Champions were as follows: Novice—106 lbs, Leon Gulledge; 112 lbs, Chris James; 119 lbs, Jeff Patek; 125 lbs, Rick Powers; 132 lbs, Kent Westfall; 139 lbs, Doug McManis; 147 lbs, Bob Narron; 156 lbs, Layne Burnett; 165 lbs, Ron Frerer; 178 lbs, Bill Benford; heavyweight, Glenn Sweet.

Open—119 lbs, Mark Gordon; 125 lbs, Dick Flint; 132 lbs, John Willis; 139 lbs, Larry McManis; 147 lbs, Darrel Inge; 156 lbs, Mike Turnstall; 165 lbs, Leonard Durant; 178 lbs, Behr Griffin; heavyweight, Eugene Ford.

Tito is No. 3 and Noli is No. 2 in the welterweight division, so they were fighting for No. 1 spot. Both boys were cautious in the early rounds, but in the middle of 3rd they started the fireworks until the end with Tito on the upper hand and received a split decision.

▲Angeles City—Arnel Arrozal, 112, decisioned Danilo Berdida, 111, in 10 rounds under the promotion of F. Tiamson. Arnel was fast with hands and feet while Danilo had waited to land his haymaker that never came, so he was on the receiving end most of the time. The decision was unanimous in favor of Arnel.

▲Cagayan de Oro—Bernabe Villacampo, 112, kayoed Tony Co, III, in the 3rd round of a scheduled 10. As it had been the method of Bernabe to crowd his opponent in the very first round giving his rival no chance to get started so he got his opponent exhausted until he gave up in the 3rd round. It was promoted by Edgardo Bautista.

▲Davao City—Flor Escobido, 108, badly outpointed George Pedroso, 108, in 12 round title bout and promoted by Agustin Garcia. Both boys were willing mixers. Flor with his long experience in the ring had carried him to the Junior Flyweight title. Arnan Bangoyan, 122, outpointed Felix Villegas, 120½, in 12 rounds. Arnan is No. 1 while Felix is No. 2 in the Jr. Featherweight division and now Arnan is the Junior Featherweight Champion.

▲Makati, Rizal—Dony Soriano, 131, bested Boy Oliva, 129, in 10 rounds and promoted by Severino Balubar. In the middle of the 5th Dony received a cut in the right eye thru accidental butting so the points in his favor won the decision.

▲Cabanaturan City—Rolly Garcia Ramos, 108, bested Philip Tagupa, 110, and promotedly Abraham Manuel. In the duration of 10 rounds, Rolly was having the upper hand in all cards of the referee and two judges.

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Junion Flyweight: Flor Escobido, champion: Contenders, Demetrio Alferez, Rolly Garcia Ramos, George Pedroso, Siony Garupo, Jun Pepito, Danilo Gonzaga, Philip Tagupa, Andy Balaba, Pol Apiag and Teo Montejo.

Flyweight: Orlando Javierto, champion: Contenders, Arnel Arrozal, Eddie Galler, Daniel Pilar, Glen Orlando, Tony Co, Franco Torregosa, Flash Jagdon, Danilo Berdida, Wilson Castillo, and Ben Aldeguer.

Bantamweight: Fernando Cabanela, champion: Contenders, Rolando Navarrette, Dommy Marolenia, Renato Paulino, Pol Ladeza, Jun Soriano, Mario Odias, Jun Diamale, Bill Abrogar, Cesar Ligan and Mar Agustin.

Junior Featherweight: Arman Bangoyan, Champion: Contenders, Nap Cajetas, Felix Villegas, Sandy Torres, Ric Diamale, Edwin Alarcon, Marco Maste, Alfredo Lintuan, Rey Naduma Jr., Johnny Agbon and Ernie Bautista.

Featherweight: Nene Jun, Champion: Contenders, Colley Saloma, Young Fely, Noel Arresgado, Johnny Sato, Erning Grafe, Guiller Turreda, Boy Reyes, Oscar Barola, Baby Caga Jr., and Romeo Olivetti.

Junior Lightweight: Al Espinosa, Champion: Contenders, Rey Tam, Leo Viajedor, Dony Sorianno, Flash Oliver, Ramon Elorde, Boy Oliva, Keystone Flash, Fred "Bruce Lee" Basa, Rudy Alarcon and Montemayor Jr.

Lightweight: Tony Jumao-as, Champion: Contenders, James Clavillaz, Fred Pastor, Joe Almano, Joe Lin, Manny Ysrael, Star Lantapan, Jimmy Leonar, Pepito Gilua, Art Galola, and Edward Hneral.

Junior Welterweight: Dan de Guzman, Champion: Contenders, Ely Yares, Jessie Nacessario, Solomon Garcon, Joe Faune, William Gotera, Art Alcantara, Fillegas Kid, Jun Sarania, Peter Piamonte and Amie Peregrino.

Welterweight: Gideon Toyogon, Champion: Contenders, Tito Gonzaga, Pedro Adigue, Noli Galicha, Carlito Bernadeas, Jimmy Geets, Al del Rosario, Flash Gallego, and Danny Martarillas.

Junior Middleweight: Alberto Cruz, Champion: Contenders, Frisco Montemayor, Armando Baniquit, Ramon Dionisio and Dommy Contacte.

ESCOBIDO, BANGOYAN, AND JUN WIN PHILIPPINE TITLES

FELIPE J.C. GALANG

Manila—Nene Jun, 125, became the new Featherweight champion of the Philippines by outpointing Colley Saloma, 125, in their 12 round bout which was promoted by Mamerto Besa, president of the Philippine Boxing Association. Saloma, who had invaded the Stockton ring was highly regarded by the Filipinos, So Nene Jun was the underdog before the fight. So with his ambition and determination he surprised everyone by badly outpointing Saloma during the 12 rounds. Jun became the newly crowned Featherweight champion.

Joe Almano, 134, beat Little Gallego, 134, in a 10 round supporting the main event. The record of Gellego was so impressive that he became the favorite in the betting. It was an even fight but as the rounds progressed Almano dominated the fight with Gallego fighting back. It was a split decision.

▲Davao City—Glen Orlanes, 112, defeated Greg Merhan, 112, in 10 rounds in Edilberto Arca promotions. The boys were evenly matched as both were fast with their hands but Orlanes was sharper with his blows.

▲Davao City—Demetrio Alferez kayoed Baby Samogan, 112, in the seventh round of the scheduled 10 rounds. Demetrio is well known to be a killer in the flyweight division. A day defference in the presentation did not affect the gate. It was promoted by Luisito Gregorio, a sportsman who knows to advertise his promotion. Demetrio started the fireworks very early in the bout and in the seventh caught Samogan with a left and right to the jaw ending the night for Samogan.

▲Cebu City—Dommy Marolenia, 120, defeated Nario Odias, 120, in 10 rounds under the promotion of Romulo Figueroa. Dommy was too clever for Odias so in every punch he counters with rapid lefts and rights. Dommy received the decision.

Tito Gonzaga, 146, bested Noki Galicha, 146, in 10 rounds.

GONZALEZ COMEBACK IS SUCCESSFUL

By Luis A. Gonzalez V.

Monteria — Colombian Johnny Gonz9alez, in his comeback, gained the Centro-American welter title when he halted Roberto Arias, Nicaragua, at 1:13 of the fifth round. Pedro Acosta TKO'd Enrique Higgins in the fifth round of a lightweight bout. Luis Tapias TKO'd Jorge Quintana in a featherweight match. Manuel Zambrano defeated welter Misael Cuadros with a fifth-round TKO.

▲Sincelejo — Enrique Pinto and Bernardino Rubio drew in twelve rounds, enabling Pinto to retain his Colombian bantam weight title. Zenon Silgado bombed out Luis Rivera in the second round. They are Colombian lightweights. Luis Sierra kayoed Jesus Espitia in four. They are feathers. Alejandro Oviedo outpointed Nelson Vergara in four, bantams.

▲Cartagena — Alfonso Perez beat Hugo Barraza with a split decision in 12 rounds. Perez retained his Colombian lightweight title. The official scoring: referee Horacio Castilla 117-115, Barraza; and Judges Adalberto Valeta 117-114 and Rafael Meza 116-115, both for Alfonso Perez. The champion was floored in the second round. In the welter division, Osvaldo Romero beat Manuel Zambrano by a TKO in second round. Zenon Silgado and Pedro Acosta, lightweights, draw in a ten rounder. Alfredo Herrera, in the featherweight class, outpointed Tomas Maza, in eight rounds.

▲Barranquilla — The former WBC champion of the middleweights, Colombia's Rodrigo "Rocky" Valdez was too much for Puerto Rico's boxer Orestes Lebron. Lebron kissed the canvas three times and his seconds threw in the towel in the fifth.

Emiliano Villa retained the Colombian welter title when won a unanimous 12-round decision over challenger Adalberto Vanegas of Cartagena. Clemente Rojas, Colombia lightweight, decisioned Emilio Guerrero, Nicaragua, in ten rounds. Guillermo "Cabezon" Gomez, Cartagena, abandoned in the fifth and lost to local flyweight fighter, Ricardo Cardona.

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